BELMOND INDEPENDENT

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Boys in Auto Have Narrow Escape

CAR IS STRUCK BY GREAT WESTERN FREIGHT AND BADLY DAMAGED

Frank Moews, having moved his family and household goods to Sterling, Ill., started Thursday overland with his auto, and as company,, he had with him Eddie Rierson and Geo. Mortimer of this city, together with a young man by the name of Thos. Manuel of Chicago. As they were going south just this side of the Great Western crossing at Salsburg, a freight train was moving east, which struck Mr. Moews' auto, turning it east, and to help it along, some other part of the locomotive hit the rear right feder, landing the auto right side up in a hole made to grade this approach, and all without any injury to any of its occupants, although the repairs made necessary to make the auto good, aggregated about $150.00.

FUNERAL SERVICES

Mrs. Bert Butterfield.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Nov. 20, at the Congregational church for Mrs. Bert Butterfield,, who died at her home in Belmond on Nov. 17. Rev. Lienbach preached the funeral sermon.

Rosana Cregan was born June 9, 1880, at Claremont, New Hampshire. On July 3, 1904, she was united in marriage to Bert Butterfield, and to this union six children were born, the first child dying in infancy. The deceased had been a resident of Belmond for about nine years. She leaves to mourn her loss her husband and five children, Belmond, her father and mother, Claremont, New Hampshire, four brothers and one sister, besides many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Cordon Butterfield of Mason City, and Mr. friers. W. O. Butterfield of [illegible] were out-of-town relatives attending the funeral.

Mrs. [illegible] charge was a loving wife and mother, [illegible] two years old to her family, and it especially, and to think of a home [illegible] no wish any little children without the best of care. The family have their sincere sympathy of the community in their [illegible] bereavement.

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PRAISES THE INDEPENDENT

United Manufacturing Co. Thankful For Assistance Given.

Belmond, Iowa, Nov. 17, 1919.
Dear Mr. Rankins:

We wish to thank you very much for your favors and assistance you have given us in helping to add a new and promising industry to your city. We wish to express our heartiest appreciation for the favors you have shown us, and it is with our sincere promise that during the time to come we will still endeavor to merit your support and commendation. I assure you we will do our very best to reward in fullest measure the confidence you have placed in us. We are with you heart and soul and will do every thing in our power to make Belmond a larger and better city, and will also do all we can to make every dollar invested in our firm bring the largest possible returns.

Also wish to advise that we have just received many more orders in addition to what we already had and can book many more as soon as we can promise delivery. We have every reason to believe that we will make a real success at Belmond and if weather conditions do not hinder us with our building will have our factory in operation within five weeks.

Sincerely yours,
United Manufacturing Co.
By Ernest Wege, Manager.

Old Timers' Dance.

The wise ones will be present at the Old Folks' dance to be held Thanksgiving evening at the opera house. The one held during the fall was one of the best events of the kind ever staged in Belmond, and was a source of unlimited fun and amusement to all ages, and this affair will doubtless be just as good. Nihoof Brothers will furnish the jazz for the dancers, with Verne Springer calling. All who were present at the first affair will be present at the second, for they couldn't stay away. Everybody can dance if they desire, the tickets being 50 cents each plus war tax, and a present of a fine briar pipe will be given to the best clog dancer over 45 years of age. Come on, folks, if you want to spend an enjoyable evening. You'll be missing something if you aren't there.

An Invitation.

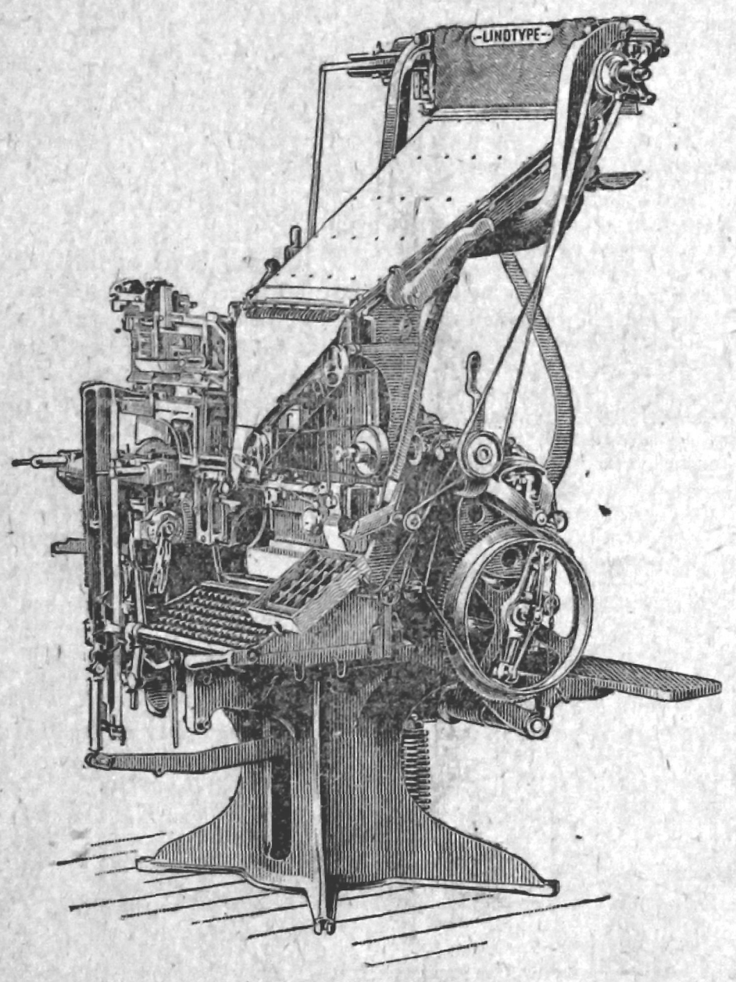
The Community club will hold a meeting on next Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, in the library basement. An interesting program will be given and refreshments served. This will be the regular meeting of the club, but a special invitation is extended to all the new residents of Belmond to be present. The club urges every newcomer to the city to attend the meeting and have a good time, meet their neighbors and become acquainted with Belmond people. The Community club is a club of all the people and is open to all the new residents, who are urged to join and take an active interest in the club's activities. They are all most cordially invited to this meeting.

Food Sale.

The Catholic ladies will have a food sale on Wednesday, Nov. 62, in the library basement, at 3:00 p. m. Come buy your pies, cakes,, dressed chickens, and other good eats for Thanksgiving. An auction will be held on a dressed turkey after the sale.

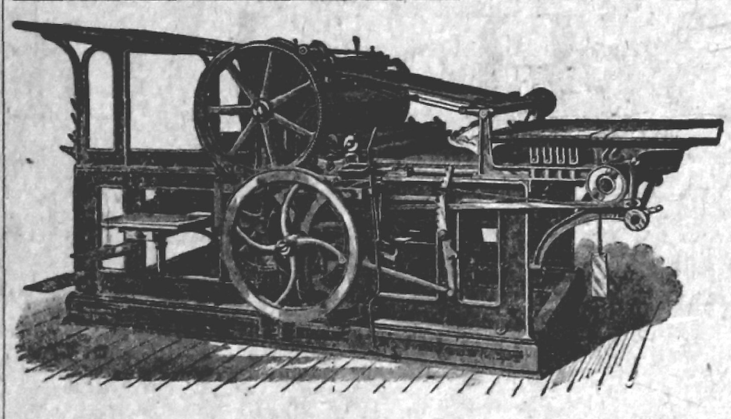
A PART OF OUR EQUIPMENT

The Independent presents this week three cuts of machinery used in getting out the paper, that of the press, folder, and linotype. A good many people have been in to look them over at first hand, but there are many who haven't and who have doubtless heard about them, so the Independent this week carries the cuts for their benefit. Here they are:



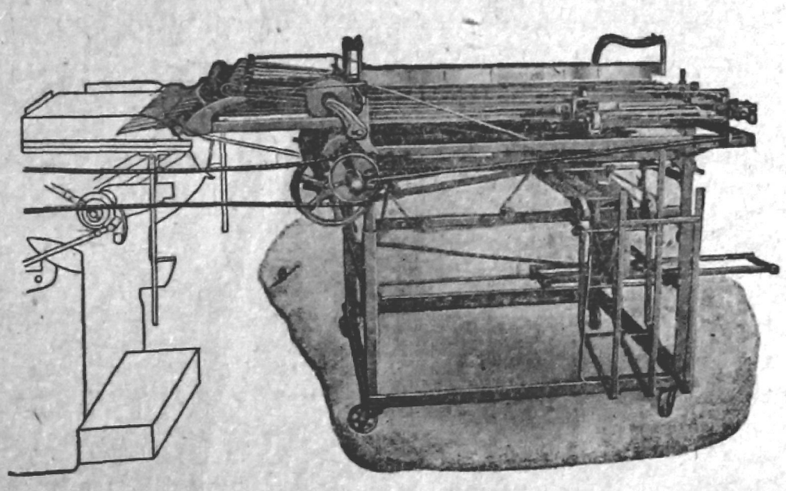
OUR LINOTYPE MACHINE

The linotype appears to be the machine which causes the most comment, altho the folder runs it a close second. The linotype is a type casting machine which casts the letters in hot metal. It is operated by a keyboard similar to a typewriter. When a letter is pressed on the keyboard a corresponding disk descends from the mazagine into a slot, and when a line has been dropped it is raised, passed over to the melting pot, an impression made in the hot metal, and the disks are then pressed up into position and shoved onto an arm, which raises them to the magazine, where they are distributed for the next run. At the same time the line that has been cast in the metal is cut out and passe sinto a receiver, which holds about a column. These slugs are what prints the news that Susie Jones is visiting Tilly Smith. They are "made up" in the forms, jus tthe same as type, and locked on the press along with the rest. The linotype machine is worked by electric motor, as are all of the Independent's running machinery. After an edition has been run off the press, the linotype slugs are dumped into a melting pot, melted up and recast into pigs ready for the machine again, the, Independent having one of the latest re-casting outfits for this purpose.



OUR NEWSPAPER PRESS

The big press upon which the papers are printed is a four page one, that is, four pages can be printed at one time. It is operated by a three-horse electric motor, and has a speed of 1200 papers an hour. It is a seven column front delivery press, and weighs 12,000 pounds.



OUR FOLDING MACHINE

The folding machine is attached to the big press when the second run is being made. During the first run the first four pages are printed, in the secon dthe other four are printed on the reverse side of the sheets. At the second run the folder receives the papers as they come from the press, forces them into a system of rods, wires and wheels, where they are folded one way,then another,,trimmed,and deposited in a basket attachment all read yto be addressed. During the second run the paper goes in one end of the pressand comes out the other printed, cut, and folded. The only hand work about it is in feeding the press.

Besides the three machines illustrated, the Independent shop has a first-class job press for doing all kinds of job work, from sale bills to wedding invitations, a variable speed electric motor running this machine. With a variable speed motor the speed can be regulated to whatever class of work is being done, so that better results are obtained than by the use of a constant speed motor, where there is never but the one speed, regardless of the work to be turned out. Then there is also the paper cutter, which takes a wad of paper an inch or two thick and trims it thru as neatly and even as it could be done by scissors.

A good many thousand dollars are represented in the machinery used by the Independent. An up-to-date outfit was purchased to turn out up-to-the-minute work, and a good appearing paper is promised our subscribers. The Independent must have the support of the community to "make a go of it" with all its expensive machinery, and thi swe know we will have. Visitors are always welcome to our office, and you are cordially invited to come in.

PUBLICATION DATE CHANGED

Independent to Come Out on Wednesday Mornings.

Beginning next week the Independent will be issued every Wednesday morning, instead of Tuesday morning as was intended. It has been proved to us that the Independent cannot go to print for Tuesday issue unless work is done on Sunday, and the Independent does not believe in Sunday labor. The one day at the first of the week,, Monday, does not give us sufficient time to get the late news set up, the forms in shape and the paper run off.

In giving the people all home print there is a vast amount of work to be done which the use of "boiler plate" does away with, and as we intend to the best of our ability to give you all home print, and as we know you want it, we feel sure that you will welcome the change in publication date rather than have the Independent filled in with half a dozen columns of patent insides.

Remember, therefore, that henceforth the Independent will be issued every Wednesday morning, going to press on Tuesday evenings. Any items or articles must be in by Tuesday noon to insure publication that week.

The Independent also desires to call attention to one thing more: in using all home print it requires a very large amount of news. We will be glad if, when you know any news, you will either phone it or send it to the office. About everything is news, it does not necessarily need to be sensational. Any news item will be welcomed.

M. & St. L. Runs True to Form.

The old reliable M. & St. L. ran true to schedule Saturday and in doing so ran off the track, which made it true to schedule. The passenger going east in the morning left the rails between Belmond and Alexander, two freight cars and the engine going off the track. Passengers went on to Hampton via auto and handcar, and the afternoon freight pulled the coaches to Belmond Saturday night. John Jones of this city was on the train, enroute to Hampton for an operation for appendicitis. The most recent explanation of M. & St. L. is "Misery and Still Late." Next!

A Corner on Turkeys.

Mrs. L. J. Brugman of Ipswich, S. Dak., writes to her father, O. G. Tracy about a farmer's wife up there who has solved the turkey raising problem and is on the high road towards owning a Ford and a new hat. This woman had three turkeys last spring, which she turned loose to ramble hither and yon at will. They came back, or she rounded them up, recently and the three had grown to 38—and she sold the 38 for $8 apiece. Figure it up.

Fine Duck Shooting.

Rev. Burress, with his son Russell, who was accompanied by Charles Lundblad and Francis Osier, found Saturday a fine day for ducks at Wall lake. They bagged seventy-one in all. About twenty of these were caught imprisoned on the ice, the wet feathers having frozen fast when they alighted. Some were held simply by the tips of the wing feathers.—Monitor.

Special Meeting American Legion

BELMOND POST TO HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING WEDNESDAY EVENING

The Eimbrink Post of the American Legion will hold an important meeting Wednesday evening at the library basement, the meeting commencing at 8 o'clock. The post will be organized and officers elected, and the future plans of the post discussed. Every service man from Belmond is urged to be present, to lend his aid and advice in the questions to be discussed. Good chow will be served free.

'TENSHUN !

Company—Front!

Company—March!

To the American Legion meeting Wewnesday evening at 8 o'clock in the library basement. Every service man from Belmond, whether a member of the Post or not, is urgently requested to be present. You are needed. COME!

NEW LIBRARY BOOKS.

The following new books have been received at the public library and another shipment is expected soon:

Reference Books.

Index to Periodcal Literature.
World Book—Reference.
Wright County in World War.
Parkman—Fighters for Peace.
Gordon—Men Who Make Our Novels.
Overton—Women Who Make Our Novels.
Channing—History of U. S.

Fiction.

Henry—Heart of the West.
Kauffman—Victorious.
Taylor—Candle in the Wind.
Grey—Heritage of the Desert.
Tarkington—Magnifificent Ambersons.
Ibenez—Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse.
Conrad—Arrow of Gold.
King—The High Heart.
King—Dinsmore Ely.
Connor—Sky Pilot in No-Man's Land.
Wright—Re-Creation of Brian Kent.

Juvenile.

Burgess — Mother West Wind "When" Stories.
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Perkins—Cave Twins.
Wade—Cuban Cousin.
Lucia—Peter and Polly in Autumn.
Howliston — Cat-Tails and Other Tales.
Wiggin—Timothy's Quest.
Dale—Young Citizen.
Bayesen—Against Heavy Odds.
Camp—Danny Fists.
Barbour—Lost Island.
Lamb—Tales From Shakespeare.
Richards—Blue Bonnet of the Seven Stars.
Montgomery—Aime's House of Dreams.
DuChaillu—Land of the Long Night.
Kipling—Just So Song Book.

Why Not Belmond?

The Catalogue game being played daily by the litle folks in the children's department of the public library is proving to be the source of much amusement. It's purpose is educational, to teach the use of the card catalogue. Three or more questions are given out and those writing the correct answers are eligible to have their names placed on the honor roll, which appears on the wall. Yesterday's questions were, 'Who is the author of Hans Brinker? How many books has the library written by Kipling? Copy down the author and the title of book about stars."—Globe-Gazette.

Carriers Get Raise.

The city and rural mail carriers were rejoicing last week over a raise in salary. The city carrier, Richard Ziska, is advanced from $69 a month to $82.80, the rural carriers receiving an increase of $200 a year. The latter were also granted back pay on the raise, which took effect on July 1. They have not yet received all the back pay but are living in hopes.

Farm News Page

PURE BRED HOGS

The Facts by One Who Has Successfully Raised Them.

(By E. G. Reed)

You asked me to write a little about the pure bred hog. Now this is a pretty large subject to try to discuss in a brief letter.

Now what is meant by a pure-bred hog? A pure bred animal is one whose ancestors are all recorded for several generations in the breeders' Herd Book, and the Breeders' association and must show at least two generations on both sire and dam side and in some cases must show five or six generations of pure breeding, but with the red hog of today we only have to show three generations, or in other words, the animal to be eligible for record must have a recorded sire and dam, grand sire and grand dam, great grand sire and great grand dam, all of which must have been recorded with the secretary of the Breed's association.

Now what is the difference between a pure bred and a scrub? You can see that the pure bred shows what his breeding is by the records kept and a scrub has nothing to show what tribe he does belong to.

Why does a pure bred have any greater value as a sire or a dam than does a grade? Because the pure bred has a record to show that his blood lines have been kept pure, and he also has the name of the breeder back of him. And I would state right here that the man back of the pure bred herd is as necessary to the pure bred business as any other part, for it is the breeder that establishes the type through his care taking methods of selectcing and mating of the different families of the breed, and it is the man of foresight with some knowledge of pedigrees and what those pedigrees stand for that will make the greatest success as a breeder, and coupled with that he must know how and what to feed to properly develop the offspring, to get the best results.

On the other hand the grade or scrub with no breeding back of him can ever hope to respond to the care and feed for he has not got the constitution to begin with, neither has he an established type back of him to build upon, therefore he is an outcast to begin with and the man that owns him cannot see anything in him, so turns him out to root or die and if he is fortunate enough to live the summer through he will be fed up a little and off to the shambles he goes to help swell the numbers in the market and to knock another dime into the packers tills, where, if every farmer in the country would awaken to the fact that the pure bred sire would put him on the road to success, and would inisit upon every breeding animal on his farm being one that can show a lineage of pure bred sires and dams, the hogs of this community would soon be famous for their uniformity of type and breeding qualities and would bring a premium over the market over the fellows that continue to raise scrubs. Now just a word to show what I mean by the word scrub: I mean a scrcub in this sense to be a hog whose ancestors were of different breeds, that is, a cross between a black hog and a red hog or a black and a white or any other two breeds crossed will bring a scrcub. Now my theory is to get rid of all of those mongrels and select a few brood sows of some good breeds that has the kind of hog you like and then keep nothing but a recorded sire and you will soon be asking your neighbors to come and see what a wonderful uniform bunch of shoats you have, and when you take them to market you will be surprised the way the buyers will bid on your stuff and what I say about the hog will apply to all other meat producing animals, only we must have our ideal type in mind and use nothing as breeders that does not conform to that type, if we are to feed the world and pay high-priced labor and make a respectable profit on the investment, we must use nothing but pure bred sires and better dams.

I fear I have taken up too much of your space, so will close.

Buy Pure Bred Hogs.

John Anderson and Lou Olson have been buying some more fancy Duroc hogs. John received a male pig Monday from the famous Kern herd at Stanton, Nebraska. This pig is sired by Great Orion Sensation, the grand champion at the National Swine show this fall, and his grandsire was Great Wonder I Am, the famous hog that died at Algona a week ago. He also bought three gilts recently that wese sired by Royal Pathfinder. Mr. Olson recently bought four Pathfinder gilts and a male pig of Hanks & Bishop at New London, Iowa, and on Monday he received a sow from R. G. McDuff of Monroe, Iowa.—Garner Signal.

GREAT HOG DEAD.

Great Wonder I Am, the hog that has been at the head of the J. A. Vipond & Sons herd of Duroc Jersey hogs, and which was without question the best known and most widely advertised hog of the Duroc Jersey breed, is dead. The cause of his death was undoubtedly heart failure. Saturday night he ate his feed as usual, but he was found dead in his nest the next morning by Lloyd Vipond, who was keeping the hog on the Vipond Bros. farm west of town.

Great Wonder I Am was purchased by the Viponds from Jake Waltermeyer of Melbourne, October 17, 1916, and cost them $725. He was bred by Wm. Moderow, a Nebraska breeder, and was farrowed in the spring of 1915, and was thus something over four and a half years old.

Stood in Class by Himself.

The Viponds had refused many flattering offers for this hog, and had they considered a sale at all, without a doubt a world's record price for a hog of any breed would have been recorded.

As a sire of herd headers, Great Wonder I Am stood in a class by himself. His sons and grandsons won nearly all the high honors at the swine shows held last summer and fall.

The Viponds advertised this hog extensively. However, his get was his most valuable asset in the line of publicity.

Altho Great Wonder I Am's death means a heavy financial loss to the Viponds at this time, they have already made a fortune from the sale of his produce. His death means a great loss to the Duroc Jresey breed, for he stamped a type on his get that was taken as a standard for the advanced type of Duroc Jersey hog.—Algona Advance.

Sugar Cured Hams and Bacon.

After the meat has been cut rub each piece with salt and allow it to drain over night. The meat should then be packed in a barrel or vessel of some kind with the heavier pieces such as hams and shoulders, on the bottom. The bacon strips should be packed on top. Weigh out for each 100 pounds of meat 10 pounds of salt, 2 pounds of brown sugar and 2 ounces of saltpeter. Dissolve this mixture in 4 gallons of boiling water and allow it to cool. Then cover the meat with the brine. Bacon strips are usually left in the brine from four to six weeks while the hams and shoulders are left in from five to eight weeks. The meat may be left in this brine for a longer period, but the condition of the brine must be closely watched, especially during warm weather. The vessel with the meat should be put in a cool lace. Meat cured by this method can be kept well into the summer if smoked and put in a place where it is dry and protected from flies and insects.

Pumpkins for Hens.

Pumpkins are an excellent and economical poultry feed to furnish a vegetable element in the winter ration and to balance the more expensive grains and mill feeds. One way of feeding is to cut the pumpkins into halves or quarters, and place them raw in the poultry house for the hens to clean the meat out of the shells.

Our favorite method is to cook them with an equal bulk of mealed alfalfa until soft, salt slightly and then mix in dry mash until the whole is of a crumbly wet consistency. Prepared in this manner they form an excellent feed for developing late-hatched pullets or for growing fall and winter roasters.—Watson R. Sim in Country Gentleman.

Do You Know

Anything of interest to farmers? If you do, the Independent will be very glad to have the news. We plan to give the agriculturists of this vicinity the best farm page in Wright county, and to do that we need your cooperation. Anything in the agriculture or stock raising line will be welcome, and gladly printed.

The Independent wants articles from farmers of this cocmmunity, of things they have done, crops, stock, poultry, etc. This week we have an interesting article on pure bred hogs by E. G. Reed, a man who is known the ccounty over for his success in this line of stock raising. It will be followed by other articles by well known farmers, all of which will be of practical interest and value.

I have 10 pure bred Duroc Jersey boars, registered, weighing up to 250 each, to sell at once, cheap. Thos. Brooks, Belmond. 2-4t

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We want a correspondent in every town and village in this part of the county. We want to give our readers all the local happenings. Help us by doing your bit. Send for material.

FARM SALE DATES

Ben Bruns, Nov. 28.
H. F. Fowler, Nov. 25.
Henry Groen, Dec. 2.
C. J. Furuseth, Dec. 3.
L. Menke and Mennenga, Dec. 17.

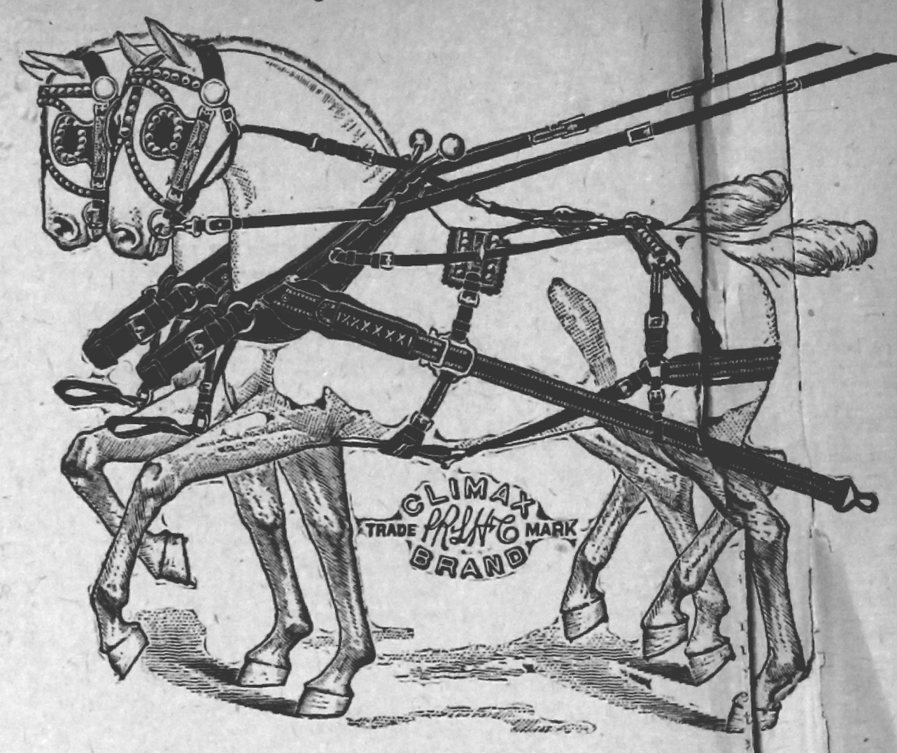
SOME HOG HOUSE.

H. S. Fain has a hog house which cost $16,000 on his farm near Emmetsburg. It is heated by steam, electric lighted and so arranged with a ventilating system that the air is completely changed every seven minutes. The steam pipes are all imbedded in cement under the floor, which is of wood construction, movable for cleaning and sanitary purposes. Every pen has its automatic water fountains and ventilating pipes. The skylights are so arranged that they can be closed and opened handily from the center runway. A well furnished room at one end provides for a caretaker, who is always on the job at farrowing time.—Hampton Chronicle.

Rugs from old carpets, clothing, rags, makazines, rubbers, tires, tubes, brass, copper, old leather shoes, etc. We take anything a junk buyer takes but iron and newspapers. Get your stuff ready so I can weigh it and tell you what it will make and cost you, so I don't have to call 3 or 4 times. You know what these rugs are—the Best and Cheapest Rug made. My time in Belmond is short. Phone 11, or better, write me, and I will call and show you samples and prices. C. H. Yarham, Traveling "Reliable Rug Man," Belmond, Iowa.

FOR SALE—I have four pure bred big type Poland-China hogs for sale. One boar, the big long, stretchy kind. Three sows of the same type. Inquire at State Bank. David Luick.

Our Leader: Heavy Breeching Farm Harness



DESCRIPTION:

Bridles 3-4 inch checks, round blinds, short cheeks, with nosebns and ring side reins; double and stitched ring crown.
Lines 1 inch by 20 feet.
Traces 1 1-2 three ply, to advance clips in hames.
Pads flat felt lined, 1 1-4 side bearers.
Belly bands 1 1-4 folded with layer.
Breeching 2 1-2 inch folded 1 1-4 layer.
One inch side straps, 1 inch rib straps, 1 inch turnbacks and crupers.
One and one-half inch breast and pole straps, 7-8 inch collar straps.
Two and three-fourths inch 8-foot hitch reins.
Four No. 4 celluloid rings and 4 spread straps.
Every strap on this harness round edge finished.

Price $90.00

JONES HARNESS CO., Belmond, Iowa

PUBLIC SALE

As I have decided to retire from active farming, I will sell at Public Auction at my farm 4 miles east and 1-2 mile south of Belmond, 2 1-2 miles south of Palsville and 3 miles west and 2 1-2 miles north of Alexander, on

FRIDAY, NOV. 8

Commencing at 1 o'clock sharp the following described property

3 Head of Horses

One bay mare 9 years old, weight 1375. One bay gelding 4 years old, we
One black gelding coming 3 years old, weight 1200.

6 Head of Cattle

Three milch cows, two fresh, with calf at side; 3 yearling heifers.

FARM MACHINERY, ETC.

1 McCormick binder, 7-ft. cut,
1 Deering mower,
1 hay rake,
1 Sterling seeder, new,
1 Sterling disk in good condition
1 3-section flexible harrow, new,
1 New Century cultivator, new,
1 Satley cultivator,
1 wide tired wagon,
1 narrow tired wagon,
1 single buggy,
1 hay rack,
1 Case sulky plow,
1 Independent manure spreader, nearly new,
1 Avery corn planter
rods of wire,
1 set double work ha
1 stack of straw,
About 7 tons mixed
Some lath corn cribb
Several pure-bred Be
cockerels.

Terms of Sale: All sums of $10 and less, cash. Over that a 12 months time will be given on approved ity at 8 per cent interest per annum. A perty to be settled for on date of sale.

T. D. RANKINS, Auct.
JOHN BERG, Clerk

BEN BRUNS, P

Rowan Local

ND INDEPENDENT

BELMOND, IOWA, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1919 — NO. 1

For Sale—Four ferrets, $3 each, F. O. B. Rowan.—Wm. Steffens. 2tc

W W. Bailey was a Dows caller Tuesday.

Mesdames Ormal Gates and Willard McCallum were Clarion shoppers Wednesday.

Mrs. D. A. French went to Cedar Rapids Tuesday to be with her sister, Miss Grace Dayton, who was operated on for appendicitis Wednesday. She is reported as doing nicely

Mrs. Raymond Temple of Burt is at the French home caring for Mr. Dayton, father of Mrs. French, during her absence.

Mrs. J. F. Howell and Dorothy Ramsey were Dows callers between trains Tuesday

Mesdames Guy Stumph and Roscoe Robinson were Dows visitors on Wednesday.

The Misses Johnson of Parkersburg spent Tuesday night at the J. F. Howell home, and attended the Tom Thumb wedding at the school house. They went to Buffalo Center Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Welsh and family moved to Clarion Thursday. Mr. Welsh has been employed on the R. I. section and they have been living above the Whitten store.

E. L. and E. R Burt were Mason City callers Friday.

Mrs. Ed. Riley and Dollie were Fort Dodge callers Friday.

Miss Fern Schreoder of Clarion was a guest a few days last week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Guy Sheldon.

Last September Mrs. Geo. Wessels sent her father, Harm Huisinger at Wymerr, Germany, an American dollar. She received an answer to her letter the past week in which he stated he received 115 marks for it. In October an American dollar was worth 185 marks. He stated that he worked eight hours per day for which he received 8 marks. This is not enough to purchase a six pound loaf of bread which costs 10 marks. 1 pound of butter is worth 31 marks, lard 18 marks per pound, wheat flour 4 1-2 per lb., potatoes 100 lbs.

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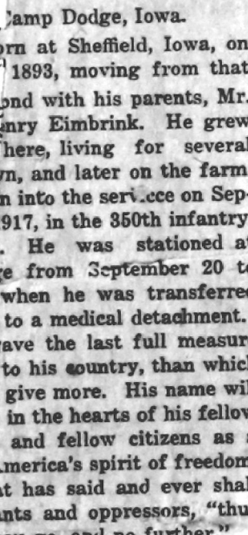

CHARLES JOSEPH McGUIRE

Charles McGuire was one of the two
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Charles was born in Whiteside coun-
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camp for Camp Logan, Houston,
as, on April 4. On May 8 he left
Logan for the coast, sailing for
ce on May 10. He was a first-
ss private in Co. B, 129th Infantry,
33 Division.

Charles J. McGuire died a hero,
with his face to the front, fighting
for that mankind holds dear and
worth while, liberty, freedom. He
died that others might live, and in his
death America has lost a true son
and gained a golden memory.

J. BERNARD WALLAC

J. Bernard Wallace was th only man from Belmond to die in th S. A. T. C. He was the son of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Wallace, and was born at Belmnod on May 28, 1901. He graduated from the Hampton high schoolon May 28, 1918, and entered the S. A. T. C. at Iowa City on the 27th of Sotember the same year as a voluntee.

He was taken sick with nfluenza and pneumonia on October 1, dying six days later. He was buried at Hampton, Iowa.

Bernard was a very like young man with many friends, a young gentleman. He spent most of his life in Belmond and South Dak a. Altho not in actual army servi he none the less gave his life in service of his country, a volunte in the great cause of liberty freedom, for he was training that might be ready when the call came It is of his kind that America is pr , in whom she rejoices, the true erican who offers all regardless.

RAY BARTON

Ray Barton, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Barton, died in the army overseas on October 8, 1918. The exact location of his death is not known. He entered the service on June 26, 1918, at Camp Dodge, Iowa. He was transferred to Camp Mills, New York, arriving there on August 10. On August 15 he left for overseas.

He was born in Franklin county, Iowa, on April 30, 1894, being 24 years of age at his death. His death was due to disease, which he contracted shortly after arriving on the other side.

To serve is man's greatest blessing; to die in the service of one's country, for as great a cause as did Ray Barton, is doubly so. His name will remain always green in the thoughts of mankind, a memory of that service which has made America the greatest nation, a man who served his fellow men and reckoned not of the price.

LEVI KURTZ

Private Levi Kurtz, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Kurtz, was born in Albany, Illinois, April 29, 1894. He moved to Iowa with his parents, and engaged in farming with his father.

He was drafted into the service in July, 1918, a brother being called at the same time. He was sent to Camp Pike, Arkansas, where he trained six weeks and then sailed for overseas, arriving there on September 2 0. On October 26 he died in an American hospital in France, and was buried at Gievres on October 26 in the American cemetery.

Private Kurtz never went over the top, but he gave his life just as truly in sacrcifice as the soldier who fell on the field. He offered all and gave all, without fear, without hesitation. A memory green and fragrant will remain forever in the hearts of his fellow Americans, as one who went to the war in defense of right, of liberty and freedom.

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LEROY PIERCE

Leroy Pierce, son of Dave Pierce, was the first man from Belmond and the first man from Wright county to be killed in action on the battlefields of France.

Leroy was first in many things. He was among the first volunteers, first to camp, was in the first division, first overseas, first in the lines, first to fight. He served in Company F, 16th Infantry, and was killed in action on July 20, 1918. It is thought he met his death in the battle of Soissons, but the exact battle was never learned. Previous to his death he had been quite badly gassed, and had been out of the hospital but a short time when killed.

Leroy was very well known in Belmond, having been born and raised here. He enlisted in the army at the age of 16 years, on May 10, 1917, and was sent to Camp Bliss, Texas, from where he went overseas. He was born February 12, 1901.

Leroy Pierce gave everything. He volunteered for service, he did his part, and in his death won the everlasting honor of his country. He was young, very young, but with the spirit of America which could not see a people crushed and ruined by tyrants, and he offered his life that others might live.

"And how can man die better
Than facing fearful odds,
For the ashes of his fathers
And the temple of his gods?"

CELEBRATE ARMISTICE DAY IN BELMOND

Large Crowd Enjoys Good Program Tuesday Afternoon.

Belmond observed the second Armistice Day last Tuesday by declaring a half holiday. A program of sports was given on the street, which proved both interesting and amusing. The street had been decorated with flags of all nations, furnished by John Pfaltzgraff, and presented a gala appearance. The program began at 1 o'clock by a concert given by the Belmond band, folloing which came the sports. The first number was a foot race, followed by a Boy Scout race, tug of war, and relay race. The results were as follows:

Foot Race—First, R. W. Richards; second, C. M. Morse; third, C. L. Townsan.

Scouts Race—First, Morri Nelson; second, Marshall Nourse; third, Cyril Jenison.

The tug of war was won by the team captained by Frank Johnson. This event drew the most applause and was the most bitterly contested.

Relay Race—Won by the team of four captained by Prof. Desing.

Following the races a parade was formed and marched to the school auditorium, where the following program was given:

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KENSINGTON CLUB BANQUET

Fine Program of Songs and Many Good Things to Eat.

The Kensington Club banquet held last Tuesday evening at the C. P. Luick home, was one of the best social events of the season, and was attended by a large number.

The Luick home was beautifully decorated with American flags, appropriate to the day, Armistice Day. A splendid program of vocal selections and community singing was given, among the selections being a solo by Mr. Milligan, a solo by Herbert Nelson, and many of the old songs whiche were sung by all present. A splendid reading was given by Miss Hammond which was much enjoyed.

A banquet of many good things to eat was served, the menu being as follows:

Roast Turkey—Dressing.
Mashed Potatoes.
Parkerhouse Rolls. Combination Salad.
Frozen Orange Pudding.
Cranberry Jell.
Wafers. White and Dark Cake.
Coffee. Mints. Nuts.

The banquet was served at 6 o'clock, and following a very pleasant evening spent in singing the old songs, the members dispersed to their homes.

New Pop Corn Stand Proprietor.

Ellis Burk has purchased the pop corn business formerly owned and conducted by the late Norm Thompson, at a reported price of $600. Mr. Burk is fixing the stand up somewhat and will be on the job in the near future.

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The Independent joins in extending best wishes to the new bride and groom.

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DALRYMPLE- MOORE

A wedding of interest to Belmond folks occurred last month, October 20, when Earl Dalrymple of this city was united in marriage to Beatrice Moore of Ellsworth. The young couple have located at Eagle Grove, where Earl is employed in a cafe. Earl is a fine young man with a host of friends in Belmond who wish he and his bride the best of success in their new life. The Independent joins in extending best wishes.

Resolutions of Respecte

To the memory of Mrs. T. H. Thake, who departed this life on Friday, Oct. 24, 1919.

Mrs. Thake was an honored member of the Belmond Community club, therefore be it Resolved, That in her death the club has lost a faithful and consistent member, her family a kind and loving wife and mother, and all who knew her, a generous and loving friend.

Resolved, That we share and deeply sympathize with her family in their bereavement, trusting that 'He who doeth all things well," will assuage their sorrow with love and mercy.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in the local papers, and that the committee transmit a copy of same to the bereaved family.

Mrs. A. W. Martin,
Mrs. C. O. Fitts,
Mrs. H. F. Horton,
Committee.

Are Giving Fire Drill.

The school students have had fire dri a number of times lately, and the building was entirely emptied in les than a minute. There is no danger of a fire at the school, as the building is fire-proof, but in case the building should at any time catch fire or be filled with smoke from one, there is danger from pushing and crowding of the pupils. The fire drill is to avoid this danger by repeated practice, enabling them to get out in apid order without getting in jur l.

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FARM BUREAUS TO FEDERATE

Plans Being Made by Iowa Man For National Organization.

Nevada, Ia., Nov. 7—Knute Espe of this city, farm bureau agent of Stoby county, and chairman of the official committee of the National Live Stock Co-operative Shippers association, is now getting out a letter from this officce to all county agents of Iowa, as well as to the heads of all state federations of farm bureaus advising them of a general meeting to be held in Chicago following the first of December.

Mr. Espe will go to Chicago December 1 and will spend a couple of days with the official committee in a conference, after which the general meeting will be held for the purpose of completing the organization of the national association.

At this meeting it is expected there will be delegations from practically all states federated in the livestock shipping work, as well as a large delegation from Canada.

This will be one of the largest meetings directly connected with the livestock interests of the country that has ever been held. It will be held during the time of the International Livestock show which opens Nov. 29 and closes December 9.

SUPPOSE FARMERS STRIKE.

The farmers keep their heads when all others fly off the track. We ask city wrokers to ponder a moment what might happen if the farmers should do what the workers are doing —demanding shorter hourse and higher pay. The farmers are their own bosses so they would not have to quarrel with anybody. They could out on strike until they got good for they can feed themselcity fellows, suppose at the farmers adopt- day. It would cut at least half. Sup- set a price on their an eight hour basic d you get your ch could buy it at uld be prohibitive f the cost of liv- how will lessen- it? How will in- roduction bring ive now because ne on producing, en hours a day You can buy food armers have not gone ave not ceased to produce, cornered the market and so much for our on't work."

ers expect the far- ing you at the t to get back e and make it to buy cheap- aper. This It takes city fel- f you go farmers shorten pay, ro e hours ore pay. patient lose their ave already ey quit too, you? What have in common with mers is not so much political as economic. What are you going to do about it?—Successful Farming.

Crop Productions Estimates Given; Big Yield of Corn.

Washington, Nov. 8.—Crop production estimates issued tdoay by the department of agriculture in its November crop report, include:

Corn—2,910,20,00 bushel.
Buckwheat—20,120,000 bushels.
Potatoes—352,025,000 bushels.
Sweet Potatoes—102,946,00.
Tobacco—1,316,553,000 pounds.
Flax Seed—9,450,000 bushels.
Pears—13,628,000 bushels.
Apples total)—144,429,000.
Apples (commercial)—24,146,000.
Sugar Beets—7,298,000 tons.
Kaffir (7 states)—13,134,000 bushels.
Cranberries (3 states)—546,000 bushels.
Onions (14 states)—10,784,000 bushels.
Cabbage (9 states)—288,000 tons.
Sorghum syrup—33,668,000 gallons.
Clover seed—967,000 bushels.
Peanuts—44,966,000 bushels.

The quality fo corn was announced as 89.1 per cent, compared with 85.6 last year.

Weight per measured bushel this year is as follows:

Wheat, 56.3 poundh; oats, 31.1, and barley, 45.2.

Stocks fo old corn on farms Nov. 1 are estimated at 72,263,000 bushels, compared with 114,678,000 bushels a year ago.

Subscribe fro the Belmond Independent. $2.00 per year in advance.

Advertising the Farm Sale.

When one has decided to hold a farm sale, the next question which intrudes itself is how best to advertise it. There are several good ways to advertise the sale, chief among them the country newspaper, auction sale blls, and handbills. It is always wise to advertise in the country newspaper. But some developments of the last few years have completely changed some other methods of advertising farm sales.

Following an ancient custom, one of the most used and yet one of the most ineffecctive ways of advertising is by means of the sales bill intended for posting along the roads of the neighborhood and county. With the advent of the automoble, the number of patrons who can attend a sale has been greatly increased. Folks can travel miles now where they used to travel rods to an auction sale.

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But the automobile has rendered almost nil the value of posting bills as a means of advertising. When most people drove horses or walked they passed one of these bills slowly enough so that they could read what was on it. Moreover they were not so rushed but that they could stop, if necessary to read the sale bills. Also the horses might need a rest. Then, too, the sales were less frequent and bargains fewer which made it necessary for bargain hunters to be on the lookout.

There are only a few places n the country where it is worth while to post bills. Nine out of every ten bills posted are never read. Watch this in your own locality and see if this even is not too high a percentage. In a fairly prosperous farming community, the bulkk of the highway travel is with the auto and if these bills are to be read from the machine, they must be posted right at a bend in the road so that the reader gets a straght view of them.

Make Woodlots Save Coal.

Many farmers in Iowa, especially in the eastern and southern portions, are well equpped for supplying the fuel which is needed for cooking purposes and through saving coal. A large per cent of the farms in these localities of Iowa contain splendid hardwood timber which has receved little or no attention. Most of these areas would yield an abundance of fire wood and yet leave the woodlots in even better condition than before the cutting was made. The removal of dead, decaying or otherwise defecctive material from the woodlot would not only serve as a source of fuel, but would leave the remaining timber in better condition for increased growth.

The mistake is often made of promiscuous cutting of timber on steep hillsides where the trees should be removed with caution, since excessive cutting will often be the means of starting soil eroson. Where timber on steep hill sides is to be either wholly or partially removed, it should be cut in horizontal strips rather than vertical and only a portion of the stand in any one year.

Extension Workers' Conference

Word has been received that the general conference of all extension workers in the state will be held at the Iowa College at Ames November 17 to 2, and both County Agent P. N. Payne and County Home Demonstrator Grace G. Richards will be in attendance. They wish it announced that any member of the farm bureau or other interested parties in this county are welcome to attend the meetings, and if they cannot get down for all of the week attend at least one day. The program will be received in the near future and then any Wright countians can figure out the parts of the program that will interest them.—Clarion Clipper.

Small Potatoes.

Use the small potatoes first.

It will pay to sort the bin's contents, and thus the fair sized and large potatoes can be saved for later use. Small ones are not so tedious to prepare while they are fresh and plump, but after becoming shriveled they are a total loss. In their jackets they may be cooked for warmning over into fried or sccalloped potatoes.

Advertising in the town paper is the best method of calling attention to the farm sale. The town paper is usually scanned carefully for neighborhood news, and this usually at a time when the reader has time enough to reads notes through. He is not hurrying to get somewhere or to get back home get somewhere or to get back home with repairs or tools. The right kind of advertising is certainly worthwhile, but the automobile has put the sale bill practically out of business. Strange to say, but few have noticed this, judging by the number of gaudy sale bills that ornament the landscape during the fall and winter.—I. J. M. in Successful Farming.

J. R. Saatoff claims the Rouen ducks are stronger, hatch better, and that for an all round fowl he would not raise any other kind.

A FREAK OF NATURE.

Dell Luick brought to town la. Frday a real genuine freak of natur if there ever was one. If a perso hadn' seen it, he would have bee inclined to put Dell in Roosevelt well known "nature faker" class.

Luick's exhibit was a freak calf, which had two heads, one on each end of the critter—a sort of double-header—seven legs, two tails, and two pairs of hips. The hips came out of the middle of the body, with four legs on the two front shoulders and three on the hips. The calf was born Nov. 7. It was born dead. Dell has shipped the freak to Omaha, where he will have it mounted and when it is returned will have it exhibited. He says he is going to charge two-bits a look-see, and make enough money to ride the merry-go-round all next summer.

NORTHERN IOWA TO HAVE CORN SHOW

The retail merchants of Mason City favor holding a corn show for northern Iowa. Ames holds a corn and grain show for southern Iowa every year. Their plan has been very successful and it is believed a similar affair would meet with favor from the farmers of our section of the state.

County agents who recently met in Mason City, discussed the movement and the project has been brought to the attention of the manufactuurers and jobbers of that city.

The plan is to hold a corn and grain show in connection with the Upper Iowa Poultry show, which meets in the armory December 1 to 4, inclusive. Various classes of grains and corn will be exhibited and cash prizes will be awarded to the best exhibit in each class.

A considerable number of good milk cows have been purchased by local dealers during the past month or two for shipment to the devastated farms of France.

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1 disk,
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1 hay bucker,
1 hay rack,
1 iron truck wagon,
1 wagon with box,
1 hand sheller,

1 40 gallon iron kettle,
1 Avery motor cultivator,
1 hog oiler,
1 spring wagon,
1 four-horse plow evener,
2 hog troughs,
1 International manure spreader,
1 feed grinder,

1 new chicken house 10x15,
1 brooder house 5x10,
1 smoke house,
2 Old Trusty incubators,
2 brooders,
Chicken coops,
2 sacks wild hay in good shape,
Some corn fodder.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

1 hardwood kitchen cabjnet,
1 bed room suit and bed spring,
1 kitchen table,

6 dining [illegible]chairs,
1 high ch[illegible]
1 hard co[illegible]e,

1 power washing machine with wringer, nearly new,
5 bushels old seed corn.

Terms of Sale:

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Months of $10 and less, cash. Over that amount
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CONCERT

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A new Edison was used to show the comparison between the human voice and the re-creation produced by the records. Perhaps the finest result was shown when Mr. Williamson sang with the Edison, a dramatic English ballad, entitled, "Thora." The re-creation produced by the instrument seemed perfect and the effect was that of an intensified human voice.

Mr. Williamson also sang a group of four solos of varied themes with a most sympathetic interpretation.

The Schubert "Ave Maria" and the Mendelssohn "Spring Song" rendered by Mr. Hungerford on the violin with the Edison in perfect unison, were a delight to lovers of good music.

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11:30—Sunday School, Arthur C. Hinman, Supt. There is no place where good work counts more than in the Sunday school. A hearty welcome is extended all who are not attending elsewhere to be present on Sunday.

7:30—Evening service and sermon. A very hearty welcome is extended to all to attend the services of this church. As this is the church of the people, we desire above all things that it be the church of the friendly invitation. Visitors and strangers are always assured a warm welcome. Here let no man be a stranger. Rev. Henry F. Horton, Minister.

St. Francis Church.

Rev. M. F. Eardley, Pastor.

Hour of service next Sunday: Mass 9:00 a. m., evening services 7:30. Mass at StS. Mary's, Goodell, 10:30 a. m. Week day mass at 8 o'clock in St. Francis chapel. Catechism class every Saturday morning from 9 to 10:30. The children's instruction Saturday, as well as devotions Sunday evening, will be dispensed with owing to scarcity of coal.

A rather serious problem confronts the pastor, in that the seating capacity of the church is likely in the very near future to prove inadequate. The natural growth of the parish together with the influx accompanying our new industries shall before long necessitate more seating room.

When the coal situation clarifies and general conditions warrant a working basis, it is the intention of the parish to launch a big drive and raise $12000 with which to meet paving expense and provide for a new parochial residence to be built in the spring.

For style, comfort and durability try the Spirella Corset. Satisfaction guaranteed. Sold by Mrs. F. E. Snyder, hone 181.

FOR SALE—Ford car, Model 14, in good shape, with tires and engine in first-class order. Joe Anderson, Belmond, Iowa.

FOR SALE—Riverside air-duct soft coal heater, medium size, guaranteed in good condition. Reasonable price. Guy Baker, Belmond.

camp for chicken dinner Sunday.

Word has been received of the marriage of Helen Martin of Grinnell, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Martin who was pastor of the Cong. church several years ago.

Mrs. Florence Wilkins of Wilmington, Del., arrived Tuesday at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Peddle of Coulter visited at the parental Whitten home Sunday.

We understand that there was some excitement at the M. E. church Sunday night when the proverbial church mouse decided to attend preaching service and finally concluded the inside of Theo. Hansen's trousers' leg was the best place to hear the sermon. However the poor mouse will never attend another service.

G. C. Briggs and C. P. Corcoran of Miller, S. D, was in town Monday on business matters

A Thanksgiving service will be held in the Methodist church next Thursday morning at 10:30. The Rev. Nye, pastor of the Cong. church, will deliver the sermon. Let us gather for a short time in the spirit of praise and thanksgiving.

Dr. Parry gave a most excellent lecture Saturday evening. This was the first of the Lyceum programs. The general public of Rowan and vicinity ought to get at the back of this program as it is one of the most constructive things in the community. These lectures are of national repute and the citizens miss a rare treat when they fail to attend these gatherings.

One of the best items of the Lyceum will be given by the Copley Quartette next Thursday evening, Dec. 1, in the Brooks hall. There are three young ladies and two gentlemen in the party who give musical and instrumental selections. One of the special features of the program will be a short musical comedy. Don't miss th... it is the BIG TIME of the se...

M. E. CHURCH ...

The Rev. H. Tomb... next Sunday eve... Treat Henry ... Joke!" ... this t... com... ...

them, which we did, and also to our surprise found the nice comforter with the compliments of the "Rowan Home Missionary society of 1921" on the comforter, which was appreciated Also the ladies have installed a new cook stove in the parsonage the past week.

The surprise of Thursday evening and the comforter, the new cook stove and the other kind acts of the people to their minister and his family,show that they truly appreciate the good work that the preacher is trying to do for the best interest of the church and the community.

Please remember the supper and bazaar at the church on Dec. 3. The ladies have something that is worth your attendance on this date.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. L. A. McCallum next Friday afternoon. All the ladies are requested to be present at this meeting.

There will be union services at the M. E. church Thanksgiving Day.

If you should need the Congregational parsonge at Rowan, phone 101. Call us at all times.

ALDRICH-BOX W...DDING

Sunday evening at the Rowan Congregational parsonage was the time and scene of a quiet wedding, when Miss Blanche Box was united in marriage to George D. Aldrich. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box. Immediately after the ceremony the couple took the train for a short trip. George has evidently concluded that it is not good for man to be alone, and in his selection of a life companion he h... shown good taste.

The bride is a dau... and Mrs. H. J. C... young lady of ... and person... the ...

DOG PRISONER IN GROUND 48 HOURS

Nora Springs: A dog and a woodchuck caused considerable commotion here last week. The dog, property of Henry Hintzman, started out to capture Mr. woodchuck, chasing him into his hole. He started to dig Mr. woodchuck out but he seems to have drawn the hole in with him.

When the dog did not return as usual a search was instituted and from inquiry it was found that the last time the dog was seen he was diging in the hole. Spades were secured and after digging agout eight feet the dog was found imprisoned in the hole.

The dog had been imprisoned about forty-eight hours but was still alive and seen as lively ... (Maybe this is ours, as a clew, hav... woodchucks lately?)

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The men of eigh... years of age are not ... rot... fed, but thin, spare me... w... a slender diet. Be as car... will, however, a man past mr. Mason will occasionally eat too much or o... some article of food not suited to his constitution, causing indigestion or constipation and will need a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets to move his bowels and invigorate his stomach. When this is done, there is no reason why the average man should not live to a ripe old age.—For sale by Adams Pharmacy.

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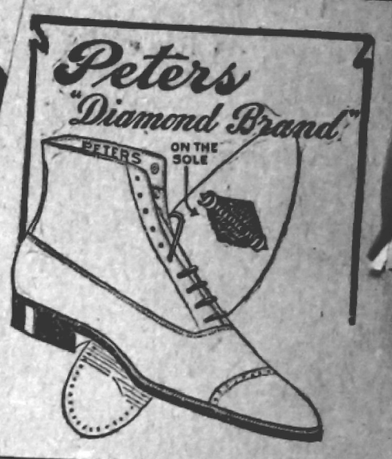

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FARM BUREAUS TO FEDERATE

Plans Being Made by Iowa Man For National Organization.

Nevada, Ia., Nov. 7—Knute Espe of this city, farm bureau agent of Stoby county, and chairman of the official committee of the National Live Stock Co-operative Shippers association, is now getting out a letter from this officce to all county agents of Iowa, as well as to the heads of all state federations of farm bureaus advising them of a general meeting to be held in Chicago following the first of December.

Mr. Espe will go to Chicago December 1 and will spend a couple of days with the official committee in a conference, after which the general meeting will be held for the purpose of completing the organization of the national association.

At this meeting it is expected there will be delegations from practically all states federated in the livestock shipping work, as well as a large delegation from Canada.

This will be one of the largest meetings directly connected with the livestock interests of the country that has ever been held. It will be held during the time of the International Livestock show which opens Nov. 29 and closes December 9.

SUPPOSE FARMERS STRIKE.

The farmers keep their heads when all others [illegible] We ask

T. A. TOWNSAN, Proprietor

people will see your advertisement in the Independent

Advertising the Farm Sale.

When one has decided to hold a farm sale, the next question which intrudes itself is how best to advertise it. There are several good ways to advertise the sale, chief among them the country newspaper, auction sale bills, and handbills. It is always wise to advertise in the country newspaper. But some developments of the last few years have completely changed some other methods of advertising farm sales.

Following an ancient custom, one of the most used and yet one of the most ineffecctive ways of advertising is by means of the sales bill intended for posting along the roads of the neighborhood and county. With the advent of the automoble, the number of patrons who can attend a sale has been greatly increased. Folks can travel miles now where they used to travel rods to an auction sale.

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But the automobile has rendered almost nil the value of posting bills as a means of advertising. When most people drove horses or walked they passed one of these bills slowly enough so that they could read what was on it. Moreover they were not so rushed but that they could stop, if necessary to read the sale bills. Also the horses might need a rest. Then, too, the sales were less frequent and bargains fewer which made it necessary for bargain hunters to be on the lookout.

There are only a few places n the country where it is worth while to post bills. Nine out of every ten bills posted are never read. Watch this in your own locality and see if this not too high a percentage. In perous farming commun-

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The large corn crop is the cau long faces among the teachers to the many absent marks caused pupils engaged in harvesting Iowa greatest field crop.

The pupils of Miss Mor's room observed "pumpkin pie" day last Friday afternoon. The spooks and goblins were invited and attended in large numbers, making the scene weird but none the less enjoyable to pupils and visitors.

Our primary teacher, Miss Hendrickson, who was taken violently ill while attending institute at Hampton, is fully recovered. Her little pupils are again smiling and cheerful.

Appropriate exercises were recently held in all grades in honor of the M. & St. L. R. R. being able to keep all its trains on track for a period of twenty-four successive hours.

A young man by the name of Geitz visited the high school and all the grade rooms last Tuesday afternoon.

Master Jack Stout visited the manual training department Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Schoenich, while waiting for the 7:45 M. & St. L. morning train at Hampton last Saturday, was entertained at the home of her sister at a six o'clock dinner the same day.

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Many New Homes Built.

Our town is slowly coming to the front. About fifty thousand dollars was paid out for building purposes the past year. There are five new dwellings, a part of them ready to be occupied. J. E. Savogue has a beautiful dwelling house finished, located east of the school house. The family are moving in this week. J. D. Bochmans house is now enclosed. L. W. Wesenberg is erecting a fine home west of the Bochman residence. Charlie Conklins new house will soon be ready for the family to take possession, a fine home one may well be proud of.

Miss Place, our new principal, hails from New Jersey.

The little folks were pleasantly entertained at Mr. Boreu's Friday.

Mr. Conklin is here from Cincinnati, Ohio, visiting relatives here and in other parts of the state.

We were sadly surprised to learn of the death of Gerty Pauls, a young girl of about fourteen. The family resindes about four miles east of town.

Mrs. Beier is away to the hospital at Hampton this week. Her many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

Miss Stockwell of Belmond is here

Circle, Aud

A FREAK OF NATURE.

Dell Luick brought to town la Frday a real genuine freak of natur if there ever was one. If a perso hadn't seen it, he would have bee inclined to put Dell in Roosevelt's well known "nature faker" class.

Luick's exhibit was a freak calf, which had two heads, one on each end of the critter—a sort of double-header—seven legs, two tails, and two pairs of hips. The hips came out of the middle of the body, with four legs on the two front shoulders and three on the hips. The calf was born Nov. 7. It was born dead. Dell has shipped the freak to Omaha, where he will have it mounted and when it is returned will have it exhibited. He says he is going to charge two-bits a look-see, and make enough money to ride the merry-go-round all next summer.

NORTHERN IOWA TO HAVE CORN SHOW

The retail merchants of Mason City favor holding a corn show for northern Iowa. Ames holds a corn and grain show for southern Iowa every year. Their plan has been very successful and it is believed a similar affair would meet with favor from the farmers of our section of the state.

County agents who recently met in Mason City, discussed the movement and the project has been brought to the attention of the manufactuurers and jobbers of that city.

The plan is to hold a corn and grain show in connection with the Upper Iowa Poultry show, which meets in the armory December 1 to 4, inclusive. Various classes of grains and corn will be exhibited and cash prizes will be awarded to the best exhibit in each class.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hadley who are located at Wenatchee, Wash., which is in the heart of the delicious apple country, sent box of fancy fruit to F. B. Sheldon, G. R. Sheldon, Mrs. Jeanette Coulter, Ben Hadley and to Herb Hadley. That which Ben Hadley received held 36 apples to the bushel. He weighed some of them and a single apple weighed a pound.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bingham of Iowa Falls visited relatives here on Tuesday They left Thursday for Washington, D. C., to spend some time with their son Harold and family.

Roscoe Robinson has rented the north suite of rooms upstairs in the flats and will move soon.

Nels Hansen of Sheffield was in town on business last week.

Gene Dawson's are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lester are the proud parents of a fine baby boy

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Stout are feeling very proud over a baby girl which was born to them Friday. The mother and baby are doing well. The young miss has been named Wanda E.

Mrs. F. B. Sheldon and Mrs. Coulter went to Iowa Falls Friday to visit relatives. Mrs. Sheldon returned Saturday, Mrs. Coulter remaining a few days.

Mrs. T. K. Holiday and daughter Grace were Clarion and Dows callers Saturday

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A number of the local people attended the funeral services Saturday of the late John Campbell of Clarion. He was an old resident of these parts. Mr. Campbell had been in poor health for some time. The family have the sympathy of their many friends.

ROWAN SCHOOL NOTES

The scholars of Mrs. Agnew and Miss McCutcheon gave a play entited "Tom Thumbs Wedding" Tuesday evening. The children played to a well filled house and each child did their part in an extraordinarily good manner. Everyone present enjoyed it very much.

Miss Kervink was sick Wednesday and Thursday. Miss Laura McCallum taught for her.

Cleo Duffy was on the sick list on Friday and was unable to play as jumping center Friday night.

The Crescent Literary society gave their program Friday afternoon. Many people outside of school came to hear the entertainment.

Rowan played the return game with Hayfield Friday night in the local gymnasium. The Rowan boys were outclassed as the Hayfield boys have played together for four years and beat nearly every team in the county last year. However our boys, many of whom are playing their first year, put up a good stiff fight and lost like good sports. The girls played a fast exciting game winning by a score of 22-15. Rowan plays Hansel Friday, Nov. 25. All right, players! Let's go this time.

Saturday night, Nov. 19, the first number of the lecture course was given. This number was a lecture by William David Parry.

A basket social will be held at the school house Friday, Dec. 16. A program will be given before selling the baskets. All people who come will pay a dime and the men who buy baskets will have their dime returned. The proceeds will go to the Athletic association. Girls be sure to have your baskets filled.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Symons of St. Louis, came Monday to visit their niece Mrs. Wm. Tresidder

Last Thursday and Friday Mr. and Mrs. Dan Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ferguson and Mrs. Chester Bailey went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Strayhorn to pick poultry. They picked 165 head of poultry in the two days. Picnic dinners were served and the work was reprted as being much easier combining the labor with a good supply of fun.

D. W. Whitten, Will Whitten, Fred Hackley and L. W. McCallum were invited to the McGuire and Wisely camp for chicken dinner Sunday.

Word has been received of the marriage of Helen Martin of Grinnell, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Martin who was pastor of the Cong. church several years ago.

Mrs. Florence Wilkins of Wilmington, Del., arrived Tuesday at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Peddle of Coulter visitcd at the parental Whitten home Sunday.

We understand that there was some excitement at the M. E. church Sunday night when the proverbial church mouse decided to attend preaching service and finally concluded the inside of Theo. Hansen's trousers' leg was the best place to hear the sermon. However the poor mouse will never attend another service.

G. C. Briggs and C. P. Corcoran of Miller, S. D, was in town Monday on business matters

A Thanksgiving service will be held in the Methodist church next Thursday morning at 10:30. The Rev. Nye, pastor of the Cong. church, will deliver the sermon. Let us gather for a short time in the spirit of praise and thanksgiving.

Dr. Parry gave a most excellent lecture Saturday evening. This was the first of the Lyceum programs. The general public of Rowan and vicinity ought to get at the back of this program as it is one of the most constructive things in the community. These lectures are of national repute and the citizens miss a rare treat when they fail to attend these gatherings.

One of the best items of the Lyceum will be given by the Copley Quartette next Thursday evening, Dec. 1, in the Brooks hall. There are three young ladies and two gentlemen in the party who give musical and instrumental selections. One of the special features of the program will be a short musical comedy. Don't miss this—it is the BIG TIME of the season.

M. E. CHURCH NOTES

The Rev. H. Tomkinson will speak next Sunday evening on "Shall We Treat Henry Ford's Proposition As A Joke?" Mr. Tomkinson will treat this topic in a timely way and will consider Mr. Ford's offer in the light of bible prophecy. You ought to take in this message which will be full of interest and instruction. Miss Jean Kervink will sing the "Perfect Prayer" at the evening service.

The Methodists will hold their Christmas bazaar on Friday, Dec. 9. This will be one of the best variety sales we have yet had. Plan to buy some Christmas presents at this sale.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Morning services at 11:00.
Sunday school at 12.
Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.

There was a good attendance at the services Sunday. We would like to have you attend Sunday Nov. 27 as the pastor has two sermons that he desires you to hear.

Last Thursday evening the ladies and their friends met at the parsonage to tie a comforter which was a great surprise to the pastor and his family. The ladies on leaving after an enjoyable evening stated that they had lost a few articles, gloves and other little things, in order to make the preacher's family hunt to find them, which we did, and also to our surprise found the nice comforter with the compliments of the "Rowan Home Missionary society of 1921" on the comforter, which was appreciated Also the ladies have installed a new cook stove in the parsonage the past week.

The surprise of Thursday evening and the comforter, the new cook stove and the other kind acts of the people to their minister and his family, show that they truly appreciate the good work that the preacher is trying to do for the best interest of the church and the community.

Please remember the supper and bazaar at the church on Dec. 8. The ladies have something that is worth your attendance on this date.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. L. A. McCallum next Friday afternoon. All the ladies are requested to be present at this meeting.

There will be union services at the M. E. church Thanksgiving Day.

If you should need the Congregational parsonge at Rowan, phone 101. Call us at all times.

ALDRICH-BOX WEDDING

Sunday evening at the Rowan Congregational parsonage was the time and scene of a quiet wedding, when Miss Blanche Box was united in marriage to George D. Aldrich. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box. Immediately after the ceremony the couple took the train for a short trip. George has evidently concluded that it is not good for man to be alone, and in his selection of a life companion he has shown good taste.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box. She is a young lady of many graces of mind and person, who is capable of filling the home she will adorn with happiness and will prove to be truly a helpmeet and companion to the husband she has chosen to honor with her hand.

The groom is a young man of sterling qualities who has a successful future before him and who has been a successful farmer of this community

Their host of friends extend congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy life.

DOG PRISONER IN GROUND 48 HOURS

Nora Springs: A dog and a woodchuck caused considerable commotion here last week. The dog, property of Henry Hintzman, started out to capture Mr. woodchuck, chasing him into his hole. He started to dig Mr. woodchuck out but he seems to have drawn the hole in with him.

When the dog did not return as usual a search was instituted and from inquiry it was found that the last time the dog was seen he was diging in the hole. Spades were secured and after digging agout eight feet the dog was found imprisoned in the hole.

The dog had been imprisoned about forty-eight hours but was still alive and seen as lively

(Maybe this is ours, as a clew, hav woodchucks lately?)

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The men of eligi years of age are not fed, but thin, spare me a slender diet. Be as car will, however, a man past mr. Mason will occasionally eat too much or some article of food not suited to his constitution, causing indigestion or constipation and will need a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets to move his bowels and invigorate his stomach. When this is done, there is no reason why the average man should not live to a ripe old age.—For sale by Adams Pharmacy.

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CHURCHES

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Sunday school at ..... 2:00 p. m.
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We invite all to attend these meetings and spend a short time each Sunday afternoon in the study of God's word.

ALEXANDER CONG. CHURCH

The annual Thanksgiving service will be held at 10:00 o'clock Thursday morning. We invite every person of this community to be present. Come and start the day right.

The Helping Hand society will be entertained by Mrs. Ellen Peck at the home of Mrs. Wm. Reed next Wednesday afternoon.

Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.
Preaching services at 11:00 a. m.
Junior C. E. society at 6:30 p. m.
Senior C E. society at 6:30 p. m
Preaching services at 7:30 p. m.

THE BEST FOR THE MONEY

An echaxnge reached this office last week that had dropped its subscription price to $1 per year. Without sarcasm or malice we can say truthfully that it was hardly worth that price. And yet it follows that good papers will be asked to reduce their subscription price because some papers that are not so good come down to the old mark.

People should buy newspapers for what they are and not what some dollar-by newspaper is. The cost of a newspaper lies in the news it prints. Good news has to be bought. It is usually paid for by the inch. Putting it into type costs money—so much per inch. Printing it costs money. Mailing and postage costs still more. But the main cost lies in the news matter that is bought and set in type and printed.

Fairly, if one newspaper prints thirty columns of home news weekly it is worth twice as much as the paper that prints fifteen columns weekly. But the subscriber always wants to knock the price of the good paper down to the price of the poor paper. That is not fair.

It is the same with advertising. A paper that goes into 2,000 homes, and thus serves 7,500 people, should receive just twice as much for its space as the paper that has only 1,000 circulation. Big advertisers realize this, and pay for their advertising according to the circulation of the paper. The local advertiser seldom takes these matters into consideration, and asks the same rate from all papers.

Merit is deserving of recognition. If a farmer whose well managed fields yield sixty bushes of corn per acre, is forced to sell his corn by the acre in competition with a farmer whose slack methods bring his fields to only a ten bushel yield, it would be manifestly unfair.

If hogs sold at so much per head, regardless of weight or quality; if poultry sold by the head instead of by the pound, then newspapers might be asked to sell at so much per year regardless of quality, and their space would sell at so much per inch, regardless of how many people take the paper.

The wise newspaper man knows that if he is to publish a good paper he must collect enough cash to pay for the publication. He knows also that the people would rather pay $2 for a good newspaper than $1 for a makebelive.—Humboldt Republican.

RECEIVE NEWS OF DEATH

The sad news was received here one day last week of the death of Langdon Rodemeyer, who passed away at his home in Sheffield on Friday. Death was caused by diabeatis, from which he had been a sufferer for several years. Langdon is well known here, being the son of Dr. and Mrs. Fred Rodemeyer, who were former residents of this place. The parents have the sympathy of their many friends here in the loss of their son.

CEMETEREY SOCIETY TO MEET

The Cemetery society will meet on Thursday of next week, December the 1st., at the home of Mrs. Henry Schulte. All the members are urgently requested to be present, and visitors are welcome. The entertainment committee for this meeting are the following: Mrs. Henry Schulte Mrs. Alvick Beenen, Mrs. Elmer Peck.

Alexander Local News

Bernold Kinseth and son Kenneth of Belmond were visitors with relatives and friends on Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. W. P. Aldinger and her two sons spent the latter part of the week at the home of friends and relatives in Hampton.

Miss Lillie Cornwell, the teacher of the sixth grade in the local school, left on Wednesday of last week for her home at Hazelton, where she is spending the Thanksgiving vacation with her relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder returned home on Thursday of last week from Hampton, where they had been spending the past two weeks.

Mrs. J. J. Flynn from Belmond has been a guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. S. Reed, the past few days.

Rev. and Mrs. Wilkinson of Belmond were guests last week Wednesday at the home of John Bell.

Miss Alice McCallum from Hazel Green, who has been visiting friends in this vicnity for the past couple of weeks, left on Friday of last week for a visit with friends at Thornton before returning to her home.

Mrs. Younglin from Latimer is a visitor this week at the Beenen home.

John Conrad and Cornelious Stoffer were callers at Rowan on last week Friday, where they were attending to some business affairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslich and two children Elmer and Blanche were shoppers at Belmond on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Stadtlander are the proud and happy parents of a fine baby daughter, who came to their home on Friday, November the 18th.

L. C. Peters was a visitor at Eagle Grove on Saturday of last week, at which place he was attending to a few business matters.

The Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson were guests over the week end at the home of their parents, who reside in Latimer.

John Conrad, who has been in this vicinity for the past several week left on last week Saturday for Omaha, Nebraska, where he will stay for the present.

Dr. George of Dows was a professional caller here one day last week

Miss Wilma Foughty spent the latter part of last week at the home of her friend, Miss Nettie Benson at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Crandel are the parents of a fine new baby boy, who arrived at their home on last Friday, November 18th.

Mrs. F. D. Rodemeyer was a caller at Hampton on last Tuesday.

Theo. Beenen was a business caller the first of the week at the county seat

Wilbur Lathan is numbered among those who are on the sick list this week.

BLAU-NELSON WEDDING

Miss Ella Blau of this place and Mr. Charley Nelson of Thornton were united in marriage on Wednesday of last week, the ceremony being performed at Ft. Dodge. They will reside at Clarion.

CLOSE TIMES HIT ORPHANAGE A HEAVY BLOW

The close times and increased population, have dealt the Christian Home Orphanage of Council Bluffs, Iowa, a heavy blow. This institution cares for an average of 250 little children daily. It also conducts a department for aged, dependent women, and a department for deformed and crippled children. The institution was formed in 1882, and since that time has provided for an average of 500 homeless people annually. The institution is at present struggling under a heavy debt and with winter at hand, and calls from the needy rapidly increasing, efforts are being made to wipe out the debt by a Thanksgiving offering This institution is the only home that hundreds of destitute children and aged women know. The Home is supported entirely by voluntary contributions of charitable people. It receives children from any part of the country, employs no traveling agents and is absolutely nonsectarian. This great institution sorely needs your help now. Send them a Thanksgiving donation and help them pay off the old debt and give care for many hundreds who will seek food and shelter there this winter. Address The Christian Home Orphanage, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

STEAL COAL IN JAIL

Justice of the Peace D. W. Parks' court was a scene of quite a fracas last Thursday. Several local men, a couple of them employed by the railroad company were called into court for trial on a charge of stealing coal from along the right of way and from cars on the tracks of the Chicago & Great Western and the Minneapolis & St. Louis railroads.

During the course of one man's trial two of the other men became engaged in a heated argument which ended in blows. Before Marshall Hooker could get from the court room proper to the "ante" room one of the principals was pretty well bunged up. The fight resulted from one man telling too much of what he knew, thus giving the court evidence enough to convict. The men were fined all the way from $10 and costs to a term of five days in jail.

The railroads were both represented by special detectives who had been in town for several days and who are going to make a clean up of these thefts from the railroad property.—Hampton Chronicle.

Tailors may permit men to wear knickers next year. Believe it or not we have to thank golf for its missionary work.

SCHOOL CLOSED THURSDAY AND FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK

The school will be closed on this week Thursday and Friday, owing to the Thanksgiving vacation. It will resume again on Monday of next week.

CALLED TO WEBSTER CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel were called to Webster City on Sunday by the serious illness of Mr. Hensel's mother. She was injured in an auto accident about two weeks ago and does not seem to be improving as fast as had been hoped.

Synicism may be wisdom, but it isn't happiness.

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Footwear for the Whole Family
5 per cent off on all bills of $1.00 or more for Cash.
Highest Price Paid for Eggs and Poultry
OSCAR WALSH
Alexander, Iowa - - - Phone 25

THANKSGIVING DAY

(Written for the Independent by the Rev. W. A. Wilkinson, pastor of the M. E. church, of Belmond.)

We have our great national holidays, Christmas a day of rejoicing in home love nd fellowship; Memorial Day we recall the heroism of our soldier dead The Fourth of July marks a new era in the upward climb toward liberty and freedom. Labor Day puts new emphasis upon the part played by the millions of toilers daily working at their tasks. Thanksgiving Day differs from all the other days, in that it deals with our relations to God. We have been receiving bounties at the hands of a gracious God. Harvests are bountiful, the plague has missed our dwellings, autumnal beauty has spoken to us of God's goodness. On this day we tune up the harp of life to a song of praise, for surely He crowneth our year with His goodness and our paths drop fatness.

Others have been hungry, the world has never seen more suffering on the part of millions than the last year has brought. Hunger pestilence, death have claimed a dreadful toll in Europe and China. We have been free from this. Our barns are full, our homes happy, our children well fed and having a chance for training and developement in the sunshine of life. Let us praise God we live in a land of plenty, a land where the average family is a better housed and fed than in any other great section of the world. These blessings obligate us to high service of God. Patriotism of the highest type demands service to God. The history of Israel indicates that her patriotism was inseperably connected with the thought of God. Patriotism demands the best developement of the individual. What we need now is more man. "What betokens the waxing of manhood, prophecies the increase of national prosperity, while decay of manhood is the decay of greatness." Men, in numbers simply do not guarantee a great nation, or lasting power, or influence. Look at your old history and you find God has a strange way of doing things. He does not use the great and the powerful to do his greatest tasks. Look at your geography, Greece and Palestine were less in area than the state of Ohio, neither could claim much politically, but, gave the world enough to put them in debt forever. Think of it, a little handful in these countries were able to stamp the world's thinking forever and little Palestine could give us a Christ and faith that will some day rule in cabinets and kingdoms. -Manhood at its best serves God and the state. It is easier sometime to remember Caesar than God. Thanksgiving Day ought to remind us of our duties to God. God is not unmindful of national uprightness. He says national uprightness is to be followed by prosperity. "A full basket and store." Jesus and His gospel to bring a note of harmony into life, the major notes of joy come to those who serve Him. Listen to Isaiah as he says:

"Ye shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace, the mountains and hills shall break forth into singing and all the trees of the fields shall clap their hands." He might have said, instead of the thorn of revenge shall come up the myrtle tree of praise.

Bringing us back to the ideal thing
There is something fine in a creed like that,
Something true in those words that ring,
Sneer as you will at the "preacher air,"
Scoff as you will at the Bible tang,
It's putting God in the nation's life
That will keep it clear of the "crooked gang."
We've kept Him out out of its life too long
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Helping us think of ... the higher ... things,
That is the kind of speech to make,
That is the kind of song to sing.
Upward and forward and let us try
The new ideal in the fort right way;
Putting God in the nation's life
And putting it there "in a style to stay."

Local News

... was a visitor last ...

Belmond Local News

For Sale—Thorobred White Wyandotte cockerals. Price $1.75.—A. C. Lieuwen, Alexander, Iowa

Honus Thompson is still shipping turtles to the firm in Philadelphia, and somebody is paying a big check for soup . Honus has been shipping them for several weeks.

Your advertisment in the Independent reaches 1,100 families, 90 per cent of whom are in Belmond's trading territory, not off in California, Minnesota or New York. Independent ads reach the home merchant's customers and bring the results.

A number of local folks are planning on going to the county seat today to attend the big football game there between Hampton and Clarion high school teams. Pretty chilly standing around seems like.

Do you want some pin money? The Independent wants a correspondent on each of the four rural routes in Belmond and will make you an interesting proposition. Come in and see us, phone or write. We want the news and are willing to pay right for your work.

A resident near Geneva committed suicide last week by shooting himself with a 22. calibre rifle. Debts and despondency was given as the cause.

For sale: Full blood white Wyandot cockerals from prize winning stock. Priced $1.50 to $2.50.—Wm. Eiler, Meservey, Iowa. 52tfc

The buttermaker at the Klemme creamery took third place in the contests at the buttermakers convention recently held at Cedar Rapids. If Belmond's buttermaker had cared to enter the contest there is no question but what Belmond would have been numbered among the winners, for he has the reputation for making number one butter. Why not get some of the bacon next time, Clyde?

For Sale—80 acres of Minnesota land, partly improved. A bargain if taken at once. Address P. O. Box 465, Belmond. 522*

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Hanson were at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ollie Tomson, and family near Kanawha recently, where they kept house while Ollie and his wife were getting in the corn.

Centipede Oversize Automobile Tires—Only $9.00 for two. —Rise Implement & Vulcanizing Shop. Phone 85.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Miller and family have moved from one of the Home Building company houses on the hill to one of the nouses on River Ave N. W.

Now is the time to buy your breeding poultry. Have large gray Toulouse geese, Mammoth Pekin ducks, White Leghorn and White Plymouth Rock cockerals. Satisfaction guaranteed.—Mrs. Jas. P. Courtney, Belmond Iowa.

Harry Wolle, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle, the past week or so, went to the southern part of the state to spend Thanksgiving with friends.

Now is the time to buy your breeding poultry. Have large gray Toulouse geese, Mammoth Pekin ducks, White Leghorn and White Plymouth Rock cockerals for sale. Satisfaction guaranteed.—Mrs. James P. Courtney Belmond, Iowa.

For Sale—Second hand overcoat. Size 38.—W. T. Wilson, Star Cleaner.

Oscar Walsh, one of the leading merchants of Alexander, was in town Monday attending to some business interests here.

For Sale—Good second-hand sewing machine. Also 2-burner Perfection oil stove with oven. Also soft coal heater. Call Independent.

For Rent—5 room cottage. Inquire of C. S. Robinson, Phone 119.

In another column will be found an article on Thanksgiving Day, written for the Independent by Rev. W. A. Wilkinson, pastor of the Methodist church here.

Every sack of Peacock Flour is now guaranteed to give satisfaction. $2.05 per sack—why pay more?—T. S. Wallace & Co. tfc

J. S. White, acting for a Mason City firm, purchased some fifty-seven turkeys last week from some Alexander farmers. While unloading them three of the birds got away, and flew to the top of adjacent buildings. They certainly have anything else in the poultry line beaten when it comes to flying.

Centipede Oversize Automobile Tires—Only $9.00 for two. —Rise Implement & Vulcanizing Shop. Phone 85.

Victor and Edison Records make fine Christmas gifts. Our stock of records is very large. We have all the latest records. Make your election now.—Schultz Drug Co.

Strayed—One boar pig, wt. about 100 lbs. Friday. Finder please notify Jacob Just, Belmond. 1t*

Christmas Greetings

The prettiest, cheapest and most appropriate rememberance of the yuletide season are the Christmas Greeting cards at the Independent. Come and see them. Shop early, get the pick of the best, and advoid the rush.

F. H. Brooks started a movie theatre in Van last week and is reported to have good crowds. The program at the theatre is printed exclusively in the Independent.

See L. Tokman before you sell that hide or fur. You will get more for it if you do. Highest prices paid.

A few cases of scarlet fever are reported in the town and country adjacent. The cases are all of a very mild character and no-one is reported very sick.

Get your farm sale bills and advertising at the Independent, the paper with the circulation.

Lee Stacy of the Independent force was a business visitor at Montezuma, Iowa, the latter part of last week on business for the Independent.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

Joe Scott who has been ill the past week or so is again on the job.

List your public sales with the Independent; reserve your dates. And don't forget that the Independent is headquarters for the best farm sale bills in the country, and that your sale advertised in the Independent is reaching the entire territory from Rowan to Meservey.

Doctor E. H. Phillips, Osteopathic Physician. Masonic Building, Garner, Iowa. tfc

Take a look at the display of the printing we have done, now in our window, and see what kind of work the Independent does, then when you need printing come to the Independent —"The Know-How Shop."

For Sale—Reed baby buggy, nearly new. Phone 197. 512c

Henry Johnson returned last week from North Dakota where he had been the past two months looking after business interests on his land there.

The Cash Market needs money. We have accomodate you, please accomodate us.—Cash Market.

If you don't wish to buy a new suit —let us clean and press your old one. We do all kinds of altering and repairing, also relining. Fur cuffs and fur collars made to order.—New Belmond Tailor Shop, south of hotel. Phone 28.

NOTICE TO CREAM PRODUCERS

I have taken a cream buying agency for E. B. Higley & Co. of Mason City. I will be glad to have any patronage from cream producers of this vicinity that you should see fit to give me. I will be on the job six days in the week. I am located 1st door west of the Independent office.

Yours truly,
J. S. WHITE, Belmond, Iowa.

For Sale—Nice Spring chickens for Sunday dinners. Phone 320.

Kinseth Store News

There is a lot to be thankful for on this day; we all have so many things that we should be grateful for. And we know that we are. Thankful for one thing for the splendid patronage you have given us since we started on the Cash and Carry system. It has meant money to you and to us, to you on the savings, and to us on the many sales.

We offer you this week something in Percales and Ginghams, good goods guaranteed good. And at real good prices to you.

Also we have some real overalls at prices that will not give your pocketbook that consumptive appearance after you buy a pair.

Men's shoes, work and dress, at a price that doesn't take 25 calf skins per pair. We ask you to look them over, and remember the store on the corner.

We'll give you cash for the eggs. Bring them in.

ROBINSON'S

Green Tea. per lb. -	50c
20 oz. Loaf of Bread -	10c
Small Loaf of Bread -	5c
Good Bacon, per lb. -	25c
2 cans good Salmon -	25c
No. 10 Karo, dark -	50c
No. 10 Karo, Light -	60c
No. 5 Karo, dark -	25c
Black Tea, 1 lb. -	40c
Rolled Oats, 5 lbs. -	25c
$1.25 Broom - -	75c
6 bars Good Soap -	25c

Swift's White Laundry Soap
27 bars for $1.00
100 bars for $4.60

Fancy Market Basket with $5 Order
Not Including Flour or Potatoes

Swifts' Premium Sugar Cured Hams 26c per lb.

We Buy Butter and Eggs

NOTICE

I have opened a shoe repairing shop in the basement of the old Kenefick building two doors west of Dibble's office and am ready to give you service and satisfaction in all kinds of general shoe repairing.—J. T. Atherton.

Reduced Prices

on New Stock

Ball Brand Goods

at

Coburn's

Store at Cornelia

Vac lace boots -	$5.75
Six buckle Vac overshoes - -	5.50
Four buckle - -	4.00
Four buckle arctic -	4.00
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In order to dispose of the balance of our stock of Women's and Childrens Coats we Offer

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Belmond, Iowa

FARM BUREAU NEWS

The Facts

PRESIDENT'S FATHER JOINS

John C. Coolidge, Plymouth, Vt., has joined the farm bureau. Mr. Coolidge is the father of Hon. Calvin Coolidge, vice president of the United States. His $10 fee entitles him to full membership in the Windsor county farm bureau, the Vermont Farm Bureau federation and the American Farm Bureau federation.

CONFERENCE GREAT SUCCESS

One of the most successful conferences for county agents, home demonstration agents and extension workers held in Iowa was put on in all of it at the college at Ames with the... Thursday and Friday ...ciation. Nearly two hundred

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WALLACE TO TELL OF OUTLOOK

Henry C. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, will be one of the drawing cards at the convention program. Secretary Wallace will present the "Agricultural Outlook," pointing out that the "Period of Agricultural expansion is practically at an end, and if production is to be maintained every effort must be made to put agriculture on a thoroly sound business basis. In times past those of our farmers who have gotten ahead financially have done so largely thru the increased value of their land caused by a growing population. The farmers of the future cannot hope to profit largely in this way. If production is to be maintained the farmer must be able to get prices for his product which will give him a fair rate of interest on the money he has invested and a fair wage for his labor and the labor of his family. Lacking this the farmer will turn his efforts in some other direction."

DAIRYMEN ON EASY STREET

If you want to fully convince yourself if daiying pays, just ask any one of a half dozen of our good dairy farmers of the vicinity how the world is treating them. These low prices for grain do not worry them at all as they are probably buying grain instead of selling it. Not only that, the cash in advance policy adopted by the merchants of many of the towns in Kossuth county, have no terrors for them. With a monthly pay check running into three figures being added to their bank account every month they are glad to take advantage of a cash in advance policy that premits them to buy on a little closer margin. You never hear them talk about the soil being exhausted as their dairy herd is the means of keeping their farms up to the peak of production. The farmers of this vicinity are now marketing about $60,000.00 worth of dairy products annually and they have the equipment and employ the help to take care of at east $300,000.00 with a corresponding increase in their overhead expenses. Possibly in the days of $15 to $20 pork, $1.75 corn and 60 cent oats the job of pulling teats was just a trifle irksome, but today when it is the one thing that brings real money to the farmer's pocket book, those streams of milk hitting the bottom of the pail play a tune that sounds mighty interesting to the listener. Daiying should be one of the main issues on every Kossuth county farm and playing a second fiddle but a close second should be the poultry end of the game. Two products that always bring good returns for the labor and money invested providing reasonable care is exercised in the selection of stock. A farmer who would not think of keeping a hired man on the job who is a loafer often keeps a bunch of hens and cows who will not pay for their feed, let alone produce a profit. Cull your dairy cows as well as your hens and seed corn. Plant good seed, keep your best dairy cows and their female offspring and the frowns produced by the worry will change to wrinkles produced by smiles.—Bancroft Register.

EXTRACTED TEETH FOR 18 3-4c —AND WISKEY 30c A QUART!

Monitor: Many interesting mementoes of the past are stored away here and there in the homes of the present. F. J. McCoy has an old account book whose entries are quite unique since its owner was a country doctor in frontier Missouri near Chillicothe in an early day.

The book was the property of John McCoy, grandfather of F. J. and the earliest date is Jan. 4, 1835. The elder McCoy lacked neither education nor skill, but the fees he received would hardly pay the modern doctor's office boy. Drug sales were charged at from 6 1-4 cents up; one quart of wiskey cost 30 cents. For professinal services which now put $50 on the right side of the doctor's ledge, Dr. McCoy charged $3.00, and in difficult cases $4.00. Other typical fees were: forextracating a tooth, 18 3-4 cents; and to visit at night 62 1-2 cents; to visit and medicine for three, $1.25; to visit staying all night, 50 cents. An epidemic of vaccinations helped the doctors purse somewhat, one fee for a family of seven being $1.75, or 25 cents per. An average month's business totaled $50. Dr. McCoy accepted provisions and labor on account, and these prices are also interesting. Cabbage was credited at two cents per head; a fourteen pound ham brought $1.75 and 9 1-2 pounds of butter $1.12 1-2; 6 1-2 pounds of beef 32 cents; 6 1-2 pounds of pork 50 cents; five bushels of apples $1.25; 3 bushels of wheat, $3.00; 1 1-2 bushels corn 75 cents; 4 bushels of oats $1.00. Labor was itemized at from 50 cents to $1.00 per day. One man was paid 75 cents for making 300 shingles. The 1921 farmer will note that of all items mentioned corn is the only commodity that is cheaper now than it was eighty-six years ago.

GRAIN GROWERS ARE COMING ALONG STRONG

Over two hundred farmers and eight co-operative elevators have become affiliated with the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., in Iowa and the campaign has not reached much of a momentum, according to an official recapitulation issued by A. L. Middleton of Eagle Grove, state director and in charge of organization.

Recent co-operative elevators to affiliate with the national co-operative grain marketing company are located at Corwith and Stilson in Hancock county and at Truesdale in Buena Vista county. Mr. Middleton is conducting county wide meetings this week in Kossuth, Hamilton, Webster, Greene, Franklin and Hardin counties and expressed confidence that at least a dozen elevators would be signed before the end of the week.

Thirty nine farmer solicitors attended the school of instruction held at Eagle Grove a week ago and are being added to the working force from time to time. Active campaign work is being conducted at present in Story, Hamilton, Hardin, Franklin, Hancock, Kossuth, Buena Vista and Dickinson counties. Four new men were added to the force the past week, bringing the total to fifteen. All of these men have had experience in farm organizations and are active farmers.

Encouraging reports are received from every source, Mr. Middleton stated, as the campaign is getting under way and indications prove decisively that Iowa farmers are ready to accept a national co-operative marketing proposition under their ownership and control. Farm leaders on every hand have expressed a keen desire to co-operate in the furthering the movement.

National recapitulation figures show that 22,000 farmers in the United States have signed grower contracts with the U. S. Grain Growers, representing over forty million bushels of grain. Illinois holds the lead with over 6,000, North Dakota second with 4,600 members and Nebraska third with 4,000. Iowa will soon take a position among the leaders, is the hope of the state officials.

THE FARMERS WIFE

What to do with the LeftOvers:—The economical housewife finds that there are many ways of camouflaging leftovers from the Thanksgiving turkey which will make delightful luncheon dishes. She may well try serving dishes made after the following receipes:

TURKEY SOUP: Take the bones and scraps left from roast turkey. Scrape the meat from the bones and lay aside any nice pieces no matter how small. Remove all the stuffing and keep it separate. Break bones and pack them closely in a kettle. Cover with cold water. Add one small onion, sliced, 1 t. salt, and a little pepper. Simmer two or three hours until the bones are clean. Strain and remove the fat. Put the liquor on to boil again and add for every quart of liquor one cup cold meat, cut fine, and half a cup of the stuffing If the stuffing is omitted, thicken the soup with flour. Simmer until the meat is tender and serve at once. This is a better method than boiling meat, bones and stuffing together. The stuffing absorbs the oil and gives the soup a strong flavor.

SCALLOPED TURKEY: Make one cup of sauce, using 2 T butter, 2 T flour, 1-4 t salt, few grains pepper and one cup of stock. Cut the meat into small pieces. Sprinkle the bottom of buttered baking dish with seasoned cracker crumbs, add turkey meat, pour over sauce and sprinkle with buttered cracker crumbs. Bake in a hot oven until crumbs are brown. For this amount of sauce about a cup and a half of the meat should be used.

MINCED TURKEY: To one cup of cold roast turkey meat, cut into small pieces, use one third cup soft stale bread crumbs. Make one cup sauce as by the above receipe. Season with salt, pepper and onion juice. Heat the turkey and bread crumbs in the sauce. Serve on small pieces of toast and garnish with poached eggs.

HOW TO CLEAN PLUMES FOR HATS: Use a large China bowl which is perfectly dry. Pour in a pint of gasolene and wash the feathers in this to remove the worst of the dirt. Empty and wipe the bowl dry. Then pour in another pint of gasolene and mix in 2 T wheat flour. Stir until a thin paste is formed. Lay the feather in the paste and wash from stem out by rubbing with the ends of your fingers. Do not rub back and forth as this ruffles the flues of the feathers. Squeeze the gasolene out by drawing thru the closed hand. Shake in the air until almost dry and roll the feather in cornstarch. This does not remove the curl from the feathers as does washing them in soap and water. Feathers and plumes used in various ways on hats are unusually good this season. By this method of cleaning they can be made to look like new.

PUT BABY IN A PIE TIN: When mother is busy around the kitchen and baby (too young to walk or to crawl but fond of "sliding") becomes eager to be on the move, try putting her in your largest pie tin and let her slide on the floor to her heart's content without getting dirty.

Mr. Bryan will have to exhibit something more of the scientific mind to completely overthrow Darwin. Darwin was extraordinary smart in his line.

Lizette writes us: "Next to trying to dress in a Pullman berth is trying to roast a Thanksgiving turkey in a kitchenette."

No Subsitute Offered.

Say what you will about druggists offering something "just as good" because it pays a better profit, the fact still stands that ninety-nine out of a hundred druggists recommend Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy, when the best medicine for diarrhoea is asked for, and do so because they know from what their customers say of it, that it can be depended upon.—For sale by Adams Pharmacy.

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Monday, November 28, 1921

You can make fine progress during December. There will be a class formed in each department and you can get the work you want. Board and room are much cheaper this Fall than at any time during the past four years.

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Wool	2.95
Comforts	2.95
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Overalls	79c
Jumpers	79c
Childrens' Overalls	50c

Misses Union Suits

Fleeced	95c
Ribbed	95c
Wool	2.49
Ladies Ribbed Union Suits	69c
Canvas Gloves	10c
3 for	25c

BOYS UNION SUITS

Fleeced	69c
Boys Pants	75c
Ladies' Felt Slippers	95c
Ladies' Silk Hose Special	39c
Ladies' Cotton Hose Special	10c
Ladies Wool Hose Special	50c
Men's Wool Hose Special	39c
Men's Cotton Hose Special	10c
Rockford Hose, Special, 2 for	25c
Children's Hose, Special	10c
Ladies Wool Gloves	1.00

MEN'S SUITS

$50	Now	$25
25	Now	22.50
40	Now	20
35	Now	18
25	Now	15
20	Now	9.95

Men's Overcoats

Men's Overcoats	18.50
Boy's Suits, $10 now	7.95
With 2 pairs pants $7.50, now	4.49

Ladies' Dresses

Serges, Tricotines are now	6.95

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$75.00 Fur Coats, Special	39.00
$35.00 Cloth Coats	20.95

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$25	Now	9.95
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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Miss Jennie Meinderts, Correspondent, Meservey, Iowa.

Quilts tied for 65 cents each. See Ladies Aid of the Reformed church.

Wm. M Buckleman of Buffao Center was in town last week greeting old friends.

Most of the corn is cribbed in this section A few farmers however were caught who had not finishel before the snow came.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan iKaduce were business callers at Belmond on last Wednesday

Mr. and Mrs. George Avery of Belmond spent the week end at the home of their daughter Mrs Fred Lemke and family.

Miss Dora Jacobs spent her week end at the home of her parents near Belmond

Miss Gertie Pals is staying with her grandfather Peter Pals for the present.

Mrs. Henry Altman and little son Harvey of Latimer were here visiting at the homes of her sister Mrs. Ruiter and Mrs. Hiteland and family last week.

On Tuesday evening of last week Meservey basket ball teams played Sheffield on the Sheffield floor. The Meservey teams were badly beaten. However, as they had never played on a strange floor before they are to be given credit for the hard fight which they put up before they were defeated.

On Tuesday evening the team of ponies of the Koenen boys broke loose from the hitching post and started for home. The buggy was found near Art Bier's while the horses were near E. Ruiter's. Fortunately there was no damage lone.

Nobody is enjoying this weather especially not those who are still picking corn, and we see a few are still at it.

Mrs. Geo. Langitz and mother Mrs. Willer were passengers to Mason City Tuesday.

Miss Mary Koenen of Latimer is at the home of her sister Mrs. John Ruieter where she is spending a few days.

Albert Rooks was a caller at Mason City on Tuesday, where he is taking treatments.

Henry Lubke of Fort Dodge was a business caller here the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Young of Mason City are the happy parents of a baby boy, born to them on the 11th of November.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sprau were shoppers at Mason City on Saturday of last week.

Mr. Stucler of Waseca, Minnesota spent the latter part of the week at the home of his sister, Mrs. Albert Wendel.

FOR SALE

Fine Duroc Jersey boars, thoroughbred. Price $20.—L. Foss, Meservey, Iowa. Telephone Meservey 414. 3t*

Last week one day a flock of ducks flew over a certain house in town and circled around a few times, and as they left they all called in unison: "Where's Al, Where's Al?" and with those words they left for the East where all good ducks go when it turns cold, to remain till the next season.

While Uncle Sam is asking for a naval holiday, would it not be well for someone to ask the County Supervisors for one also in their expenditures. Some years ago we voted hard surfaced roads. We could afford it then, under the prices received for farm products, but under present prices we have all the tax that most of us want and can pay.

HOG SALE

Large type Poland China boar pigs and gilts of March and April farrow, sired by a son of the Grand Champion boar at the North Iowa Fair 1920 and the Grand Dam also was Grand Champion at the same fair. Have all been double treated. They are long bodied with good bone Price $25.—C. H. Quandt, Meservey, Iowa. tfc

For Sale—Some fine Rose Comb Rhode Island Red roosters, first class. —L. Foss, Meervey, Iowa. tfc

IF YOU DON'T GET YOUR MESERVEY INSERT—

See H. F. Reif. Several times the past few weeks papers have come to the Meservey subscribers without the Meservey section enclosed. This is due to the fact that the papers are sent thru a folding machine and once in a while one misses. We endeavor to see that the Meservey Section is in each copy, but occasionally one misses and the subscriber loses out. After this if you fail to get your Meservey section, see Mr. Reif. He will have some extra copies of the Section for this purpose.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nissen drove to Ames last Friday via Henry to visit at the Sloss home and attend the Ames-Nebraska foot ball game.

Peter Thompson of Windom, Minnesota was in town Saturday attending to some business matters.

J. C. Janssen & Sons, C. J. & Heiko and A. J. Nissen were at McCallsburg one day last week attending to some business matters.

Roy Gaetzke's Ford froze up the other day and when the engine became warm there was an explosion which damaged the radiator pretty badly.

GENEVA FARMER TAKES HIS LIFE BY SHOOTING

Chronicle: A. D. Benson, who resides on a farm east of Geneva, and a lifetime resident of that community, ended his life last Monday morning by shooting himself thru the head. The only reason known for this action was that he had become despondent from a long illness and rather to live and think that he was a burden on others he chose this way of putting a stop to his worries.

Sunday he was around the house as usual and seemed to be in the best of spirits, altho he was slightly indisposed, due to the severe case of dropsy from which he had been suffering for some time. About nine o'clock Monday morning and while his son was outside doing some chores he asked his wife for a drink and she told him that she would go to the pump and get him a fresh one. On her return to the house she could not find Mr. Benson downstairs and after searching the house she finally found his body lying in a pool of blood in his son's room upstairs. He had used the twenty-two caliber rifle belonging to his son and shot himself just above the right ear.

Coroner W. R. Arthur investigated the case and found that the evidence plainly enough indicated suicide so no inquest was held.

F. Frohling is on the sick list this week with a very bad cold.

Dr. F. S. Agler

Physician & Surgeon

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Gooch's Macaroni and Spaghetti 3 Packages 25c	Vitos The Cream of the Wheat Per Package 20c	

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1921

Meservey School Has Many Fine Programs

Much Of Interest Is Doing And Being Planed By Local School

VACATION THIS WEEK

By Esther Reeverts and Ollie Pals

Armistice day was appropriately celebrated November 11th. A school program was given in the Evangelical church at 10:30 a. m.

The following program was given:

Song by audience

Scripture reading by Rev. Schlesselman.

Remarks and prayer by Rev. Pankuk.

Song by quartette.

At 11:00 o'clock turning East in silent prayer.

Song by 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grades.

Song by audience.

Address by Prof. Sifert, which was enjoyed by all present.

Quartette.

Handing of flowers to Legion boys by eight little girls.

Benediction by Rev. Schlesselman.

Thanksgiving Day there will be no school. Be sure and fill yourself with turkey and pumpkin pie.

The following prgram will be given by the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grades on Wednesday:

Prayer, 3rd and 4th grades.

Welcome, Lydia Pals.

Thanksgiving Ride of Pumpkins, by Carolyn.

Thanksgiving Day, Jesse Suntken.

Song, 3rd and 4th grades.

Tom's Thanksgiving, Harold Pals.

The House that Tom Built, 5th and 6th grades.

Exercise, Arnold Groen and Merle Melvin.

Being Thanksgiving, 1st, and 2nd grades.

Mrs. McCarty Buys a New Hat, by 5th grade.

Three Maids, 3rd grade.

Recitation, Wayne Wattingham.

Song, Turkey Land, 1st and 2nd grade

Reading, Wilma Pals.

Cat's Soliloqy, 1st and 2nd grades.

History of Thanksgiving, 5th grade.

Recitation, Harriet Sprau.

Glad I'm a Girl, Lois Thomas.

Mammy's Way, Grace Boelman.

Exercise, 4th grade.

Song, 1st and 2nd grade.

Tableau, 6th grade.

Recitation, Mildred.

Reason Why, Harold Pals.

Song, 6th grade.

Thanksgiving, Viota Koefed and Nellie Frey

Turkey Silo, Esther Dorenkamp.

A Little Girl's Dream, Lyda

Song, 4th grade.

What Am I Thankful For, Wilbur Frey.

A debate was given by the Seniors and Juniors Tuesday noon.

Topic: Prove that Jefferson did more for his country than Hamilton.

Result: 2 to 1 in favor of Jefferson.

Correction of last week's German class notes:

Lehrer—Form a sentence with the feminine pronoun.

Schuler: Vir ist gruen.

(Publisher's note: Maybe this is right, but better give the English of it too.)

Emil Lau held his pure bred boar and bull sale at his farm last Friday and altho the weather was not the best he reports a good sale. He offerel 40 head of boars and some bulls and sold all but two boars. Considering the times he said he was well satisfied with the prices brought and sonsiders his sale was good.—Klemme Times.

Miss Maude Cook of Clear Lake spent the week end at the home of V. Cook.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

Preaching service at 10:45 a. m.

Y. P. A. at 7:30 p. m.

Preaching at 8:00 p. m.

Bible class study, Monday 8:00 p. m.

German prayer services Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

English prayer services Thursday at 8:00 p. m.

You are cordially invited to attend any or all of these services

The revival services will begin on Sunday evening. The Rev. Orth of Mason City will be here for one week. Services every night excepting Saturday evening.

REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school ..... 9:30 a. m.
German service ..... 10:30 a. m.
Young Peoples meeting .. 7:15 p m.
English services ..... 8:00 p. m.

Catechism classes on Saturday at:
Primary and Junior ..... 1:30 p. m.
Senior class ..... 3:00 p. m.

EDITORIAL

(Written by a Meservey Business Man.)

With the goverment spending 92c out of each dollar collected in national taxes for the war porposes, we can feel proud of our president who is not afraid of breaking the heart of the world but speaks right out in the meeting and says, "that 100,000,000 people in the United States want a reduction in expenditures for naval purposes.

Just as long as all nations are teaching a large number of men how to kill the other fellow, there are apt to be wars, because some of these men want to see how their shooting irons will work, just as it did in the world war—the countries over there had been ready for war for many years but could not hold their soldiers back no longer. They wanted to see how their shooting irons worked, and they found out.

If the navies of the world keep on increasing at the present rate they will be just as evenly matched in 20 years from now as they are at this time. Why not reduce the navy from the present size all around and save some of that 92 cents the tax payer pays now. The tax payer will welcome the reduction, and no-one will suffer except the shipbuilding companies, and Chas. M. Schwab, who is head of the largest steel company, says he welcomes the naval holiday.

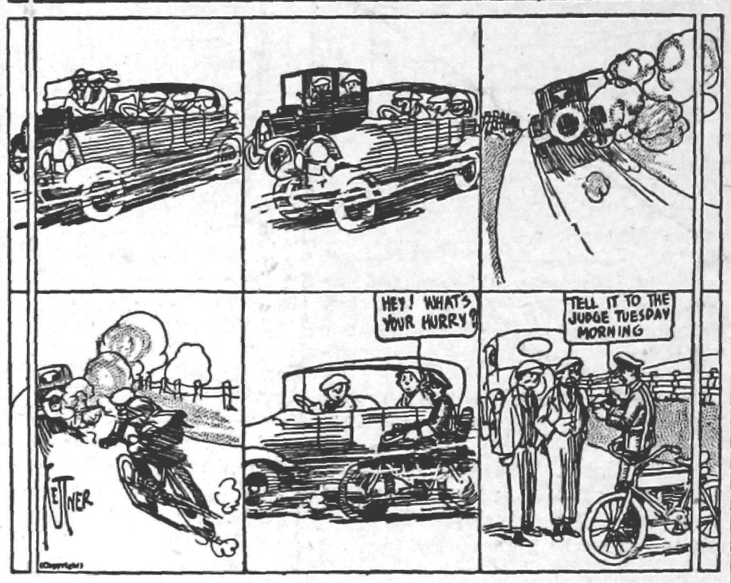
GARNER BUTTERMAKER WINS

Leader: In the cream improvement contest which was held in connection with the Iowa Buttermakers Convention at Cedar Rapids, Chas. Conway landed as one of the five higest. Through Mr. Conway's efforts wonderful improvement has been made in the quality of cream delivered to the local butter factory. The marketing of the better grade of cream means added returns to the dairy farmers of this section, so as a matter of fact, Mr. Conway has, besides making it possible to reduce better butter, performed a wholesome and exceedingly beneficial work for those who market their cream to the Garner creamery. Chas. was one of the ten buttermakers who won the beautiful silk banner at the National Dairy show at St. Paul. The trophy has been presented by Governor Kendall, and now adorns the office of our state's executive. Just leave it to Conway to bring home the bacon every time.

TWO AUTOES CRASH TOGETHER

Two autoes, one driven by S. L. McIntre of Pocahontus and the other by Ed. Weigman also of that place, came together at a corner near that city recently and were both badly damaged. The McIntre car was filled with ladies who had been at a meeting at Rolfe and two of them were thrown from the car and injured one of them severely. Mr. Weigman acknowledged that he was not giving the attention to his driving that he should have and that he was to blame, as the collision came on what was to him the left side of the road.

The End of a Perfect Day



LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Harm H. Pals were Sunday evening callers at the Carl Stadtlander.

E. A. Strasburg is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. H. K. Pals was a Thornton caller Monday. She had some dental work done there.

Carl Eckhoff returned home on Monday after a several days' visit with his sister Mrs. Karfins and family at Bradford.

MILLINERY GOODS SALE

I am selling off my millinery stock at 50 per cent discount, and in many cases more. Everything goes. You can find real bargains here.—Mrs. Anna Barney, Sheffield, Iowa. 12c

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Blewitt of Thornton were Sunday guests at the J F. Hartfelder home.

The Misses Reno and Grace Mennenga of near Belmond were here on Saturday assisting their grandmother Mrs R. Boelman, with some work.

Fred Lemke and Virgil Cook left Saturday evening for Chicago where they accompanied several carloads of cattle.

Mrs. Henry Oltman and son and Miss Mary Koenen of Latimer who have been visiting relatives here the past week returned to their home on Sunday.

FOR SALE

Large type Foland China boar pigs, out of the Grand Champion sow at the North Iowa Fair, 1920, and sired by a son of the Grand Champion boar of the same year. They are long-bodied with good bone and have been double treated. Priced from $30 to $35.—Jacob Nissen, Meservey, Ia.

Melvin Smith had the misfortune of brusing one of his fingers very badly Saturday while fixing his car.

The Misses King and Ankey spent the day Saturday shopping in Mason City.

Saturday was another busy day for the business people, regardless of the rough roads.

J. J. Ruiter and wife were Sunday evening callers at the E. Ruiter home.

Dick Pals from Belmond was here Saturday on business and also to visit relatives and friends.

Henry Pals and family were visitors at the Lambert Pals home on Sunday.

Little Miss Gladys Strasburg has been on the sick list the past week.

Leona Koenen, who has been quite ill with pneumonia is now improving and is able to be up and around once more. She will soon be going to school again.

Mr. Floy of Thornton was a business visitor here on Friday.

A. Rook was a passenger to Mason City Friday.

S. P. Fischer visited relatives at Mason City on Saturday.

Frank Hafferman and wife were Mason City callers on Saturday on business matters.

INDIAN SUMMER

When the year's first wintery breath
Spreads its icy glaze,
Like a blessed balm they steal
Over Nature's face to heal
Where the fields their wounds reveal.
Indian Summer days.

Soft, warm and mysterious
Wrapped in misty haze,
With a wealth of wonderous skies,
Like a maiden's smiling eyes
Hinting of the sweet surprise.
Indian Summer days.

Through the early dusk there gleams
Here and there a blaze,
Slow and straight the smoke mounds higher
From each child-attended fire
For the fallen leaves a pyre.
Indian Summer days.

Like an echo of the Spring
With its lazy ways,
They come languorous and slow
In between the frost and snow—
Wish they didn't have to go.
Indian Summer days.

Calling your attention to low prices in ad of Hulsebus-Muller & Co. First parties known to offer high grade flour at $2.00 per sack.

FARMERS' COMPANIES GIVE MORE ECONOMICAL SERVICE

In their further efforts to discredit existing farmers' co-operative live stock commission companies and to stem the tide of rapidly growing sentiment in favor of such organizations, the privately-owned commission firms, through their own organizations the Live Stock Exchanges, are now distributing a series of letters and pamphlets to shipping assocaition managers, stockmen and country newspapers.

Among the many loose statements contained in their literature is one which says, "Economy is a relative proposition. Admitting possibility of slightly less cost this would be more than offset by ineffectual service."

By the return of all profits to the shippers at the end of each year, there is no question but what the farmers' companies sell live stock at the terminal markets at the least possible cose to the producers.

With reference to service, co-operative organizations are giving it in as full measure, and often more, than most privately-owned firms. This is reflected in the rapid growth these selling agencies have made wherever they are in operation. Had they not given service and proven their worth they never would have thrived as they have in the past five years.

Public Property To Be Invoiced December 1st

Every Article Of Public Property Has To Be Accounted For

BELIEVE IT GOOD THING

All public property is to be invoiced on December 1st this year, and on the same date each year hereafter. This report is to be filed with the county auditor and in this way each article purchased or sold during the year must be accounted for. Also such as have been lost, stolen or broken. While some may say this is some more red tape, we believe it is a good thing as it will keep tab on public property which often is neglected.

GRAIN GROWERS MAKING BIG HEADWAY

With but nine solicitors in the field during the past week a total of 118 grower contracts and 12 elevators were added in the membership campaign of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., according to A. L. Midlleton, the state director, in an official statement issued here. This gives Iowa an aggregate of 311 members and 20 elevators and the campaign as yet has not passed beyond the preliminary stage. The elevators accepting the contract last week are distributed as follows: Clay county 3, Dickinson 2, Buena Vista 2, Hancock 2, Story 1, Wright 1, Jasper 1.

Elevator connections have been made in those counties, and in Kossuth, Franklin, Harlan, Winebago, Greene, Hamiliton and Humboldt, according to J. E. Wooters, assistant director and active solicitation of memberships will proceed in these counties shortly.

In three townships of Story county where the initial campaign was conducted, the membership stands close to 250. State leaders indicate that 600 memberships will be obtained in the county before the last farmer is solicited. This number would exceed by far the fondest hopes held at the start of the work. With a proportionate amount of success in other counties where the movement will soon be introduced state leaders say that their goal of 10,000 members by June will be reached with ease.

A feature of the work in Iowa rests with individual soliciters. David Wood of Carrell working in Dickinson and Clay counties signed five elevators in one week. Leonard Lucas, solicitor, held a meeting at a country school house near Truesdale Monday evening and signed eight grower contracts at its close.

MAIL ROBBERY AT BRITT

There has been another mail robbery in Britt, two pouches having disappeared from the M. & St. L depot some time between the arrival of the night passenger from Des Moines and daylight Saturday morning.

There was a pouch for Britt and a transfer pouch for train No. 1 on the Milwaukee. Dell Redmond, the night man at the depot, was not certain whether the pouches were thrown off, so postmaster Lee took the matter up with the mail clerk who was on the train. He advised the pouches were thrown off at Britt.

Sunday a search was instituted about the town, in sheds, straw piles hay stacks, etc. A few months ago a pouch was stolen here and was afterwards located in a straw pile. Mr. Lee would welcome search of straw and hay piles believing it might expedite dispatch of the letters that were taken.—Britt News Tribune.

FOR SALE

Big type of Poland China boars, eligible to register.—C. F. W. Paul, Route 2, Thornton. Phone 5804 on Meservey exchange 11fc

6YEAR-OLD BO... IN A...

Leader: Friday ember 11th at ... fatal accident occ... about foun... point near ... overturning ... sulted in th... a six-year-old ... nected with this a... ed from the mother of t... Jacob Winters and her ... started Wednesday m... week from Platte... their Ford roadst... expecting to mak... future home. Th... ing near Platte ... March last Jacob... band, died from ... from having a l... friends at Mar... they decided to ... six children and ... packed in the For... tically a new one, ... point mentioned ... year-old boy w... that he was cr... by another Fo... The paveme... coat of su... pery, and we... had but litt... This combina... edly respons... The entire p... of the boy w... ned under the car ... ing diligently to e... Joe Speral and Wm... About this same ti... of Titonka and ar... happened along, an... and Utt in releasi... party. Claus, the ... dead when removed ... the car. Not being s... extinct, Mr. Speral ... brought him to Dr. ... fice. The ex... fact that his ... He was ta... non's fun... shippmen... the most ... Mr. Shann... in shape for ... evening. Th... wrecked—the t... ing caved in. It wa... ner and it is still ... all left on the ... evening. We ... Ford is for sale, ... ing it will be a ... Mr. Cosgrov... with him, bro... the other c... were cared f... Mrs. T. W... Hotel. M... in cash w... to get he... They are Holl... coming from th... years ago. The ... bright youngsters. ... the 13 year-old wh... car. The next was ... 10, a girl 8 and ... As we have men... boy who was kill... It surely placed ... plight. Howev... that more of ... killed.

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TEACHERS OF IOWA OPPOSED TO UNION

Majority Sentiment at Convention Against Affiliation With Labor Federation.

Stntiment aganst the affiliation of teachers wth union labor generally prevails among the members of the Iowa State Teachers' association. One of the notable addresses of the convention program was that of Dean W. F. Russell of the college of education of the unversity of Iowa.

Dean Russell stated the belief that grave danger lies for the teachers in such affiliation. He stated that it would bias the viewpoint in view of the fact that the labor federation represents only one faction of society.

"The only safeguard of society," he said, "that our children may not become biased, is to have them come into contact with people of varying beliefs and points of view."

He suggested a more intensive organization than now exists as a substitute for a union. Such an organization, he believes, should give greater control to teachers.

Lynn Opposes Union.

E. C. Lynn, county superintendent from Donnellson, addressed the county superintendents' sectional meeting yesterday afternoon along the same lines.

Resolutions opposing all attempts to organize teachers into the interests of "any political party, religious sect or combination or organization "were among those presented by the resolutions committee and passed enthusiastically by the assemblage last night.

The resolutions which were presented by the chairman of the committee, included support of the league of nations urging its ratisfication by the senate; adequate preliminary training for the teaching profession; commendation for the last legislature for laws making a minimum wage for teacchers; encouragement for betterment of rural schools; indorsement of the vocational education program.

Dean Russell's speech in part follows:

"It is imperative that our schools form no entangling alliances. It would be a terrible calamity if our schools were to become the prey of a group of people who wish to impress their ideas on the coming generation."

Danger in Union.

"Supporters of a teachers union advocate affiliation with the American Federation of Labor because they say the workers of a community should have interests in common and an intimate contact, Dean Russell said.

"In the educational platform of the American Federation of Labor there is expressed their profound belief in the need of full, free and frank discussion of social and governmental questions without bias. This could not possibly be secured f all the teachers were affiliated with the federation of labor; no teacher is withiut bias; no teacher can keep from impressing his views on his pupils.

The Only Safeguard.

"The only safeguard of society, that our children may not become biased, is to have them come in contact wth people of many varying beliefs and points of view.

"The American Federation of Labor today represents only a part of the people of the United States, and only one side of a great question that has not yet been settled.

"Consequently if all teachers were to become affiliated with the one group, a one-sided point of view would be given. If all the school teachers were to become unionized it would mean that all controversial questions would be kept out of the schools.

"As a matter of fact, the unions thus would defeat their own purpose.

Need Organization.

"A further organization of the State Teachers association is the best means for combating any movement toward a teachers union affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

"The association should be organized to give greater control to the teachers. There should be a local branch in each county, town and city, and a system of representation by delegates whose railroad fare is paid to insure democracy in control of the affairs of the association."

Mrs. George Bilbo and Mrs. Hattie Tolan, sisters fo C. S. Robinson, are visiting at their brother's home. The ladies reside in Creston, Iowa. Mr. Robinson has nto seen the latter sister for 24 years. Mrs. Bilbo also has been visiting her daughter, who teaches in Elswroth college at Iowa Falls.

We want a correspondent in every town and village in this part of the county. We want to give our readers all the local happenings. Help us by doing your bit. Send for material.

--and no one could tell the difference

Hardy Williamson drawn from actual Photograph

Last Wednesday's audience mystified

Tries vainly to detect difference between voice of famous tenor and RE-CREATION by Edison's new phonograph

Those present at the High School Auditorium last Wednesday night saw Hardy Williamson walk onto the stage. They saw him take his position next to a beautiful cabinet. They saw his lips give voice to the opening lines of The Holy City. Then suddenly his lips were still---but the song kept fowing on.

How came this? They were hearing Mr. Williamson's voice, yet Mr. Williamson was not singing. The entire audience gaspen as it slowly realized that it had been unable to distinguish between Mr. Williamson's voice and the RE-CREATION of that voice by the New Edison.

This was the daring test undertaken last Wednesday night at the High School Auditorium by Thos. A. Edison. He sought to prove that no cifference exists between the voice of the living artist and its RE-CREATION by the New Edison. The musically cultured of Belmand were askec to pass judgment. No test could have been more exacting.

Mr. Williamson made comparison after comparison. The mystified audience tried vainly to catch a difference between the original rendition and its RE-CREATION by the New Edison. No one could tell one from the other.

It was a triumph whole and complete for the New Edison.

The NEW EDISON

"The Phonograph with a Soul"

The instrument used in Wednesday night's Tone-Test is the regular model which sells for $285---in Canada $431. It is an exact duplicate of the Laboratory Model which Mr, Edison perfected after spending Three Million Dollars in experiments.

The New Edison alone of all phonographs is capable of sustaining this test. Until Mr. Edison knew it would do so, he regarded his work as unfinished. Ask some one who was present last Wednesday night. Learn the Amazing truth. Then come in and let us prove it personally to you.

Schultz Drug Company

Belmond, Iowa

Belmond Local News

Ernest Haupt was a visitor last Thursday at Olaf.

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Art Hill were Mason her sister, Mrs. Ben Blake, Tuesday.

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Mrs. John Savo gue of Goodell si-ited the Elmer Kinney family week.

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Mr. Zack, civil engineer of the paving construction; has moved to Rock Rapids.

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Archie Rierson had a minor operation on his foot at the Steele hospital last Friday.

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Mrs. W. H. Adams has been visiting at her former home in Freemont, Ohio.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Obrecht are the parents of a son, Merle Wayne, born October 24th.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wallace are the parents fo a son, Robert Tomlinson, born November 1.

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Mrs. Leslie Reed of Alexander, wa a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mr at J. J. Flynn, last week.

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Mrs. Hans Jacobson will spend hed winter with her daughter, Mrs. bur, Shefveland at Kenyon, Minnesot s bee

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Whereas, the agitation is is largely promoted by aliens, who do not want L der to prevail; who are foster a One Hundred Americanism; who want the class to which they b master of the masses; who fair advantage of unusua stances and who attempt t mine the Constitution of t States of America; and,

Whereas, our government gered if such practices are a continue;

Be it therefore resolved, condemn the efforts of the usurp the power of governm we do not approve of th the coal miners in disob tion orders; that we creased production; th is "He who will not eat" and "Increased creased production," ey and less work."

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W. A. Connor was a business caller in Cedar Rapids last week.

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The H. J. Klemme office on Spruce street is being remodeled, new partitions added and the inside generally fixed over.

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Thomas Manuel, nephew of Mrs. J. N. Johnson, is the new clerk in the Elite cafe. He was formerly employed with the Armour Packing company of Chicago.

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Mrs. Reeder has moved into rooms at the John Lieuwein residence just south of the Congregational church, where she will do dressmaking.

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A very good opening exists in Belmond for a first-class paper hanger. The men who have been doing this work have so much work ahead that they cannot be secured for months. A paper hanger asked recently when he could do some work, replied not until next spring. Many jobs along this line are going begging now, and many more will be on the waiting list as spring approaches.

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Mr. Lory of the Hotel Case, has had four years' experience in the business and is making a success fo the service here. All of the rooms are filled every night, and abuot fifty persons are being served each meal. The office and reception room will be redecorated and refurnished as soon as workmen can be secured to do the work. Mr. Lory will make a specialty of Sunday dinners in the near future.

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T. B. Champlin, who formerly was engaged in the restaurant business here in the Connor & Champlin firm, has purchased a pool hall and restaurant at Bradford, Iowa. "Burt" has the only eating placce in that town, and the only place selling soft drinks. His son "Ole" is now running the business, and will continuue with his father there. Mr. Champlin left the lat ter part of last week for Bradford. That city is about the size of Goodell. Those who knew of the success Burt made in the business in Belmond have no doubts at all of the success he will have at Bradford. He is a live wire and that city will find him up and coming.

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Jess Underkofler has become tired of loafing, and has gone into the blacksmith business again. Jess started in the business in 1882, and stayed on the job steadily until two years ago, when he sold out to George Heginger, running the shop a year while the latter was in the army. Last spring Jess laid down his hammer, quit the job, and started in to just loaf and rest. He says he got so allfired tired of loafing that he simply had to go to work again in order to get some rest. He has located in the Man Luick building just south of the Nordschow garage and will do general blacksmith work. Jess built the building himself 37 years ago, sold it, and last week purchased it back.

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The ladies among the new residents will doubtless be interested in the dressmaking school conducted by Miss May Schanck in rooms above the Sullivan barber shop. Miss Schanck is a graduate of the Keister Tailoring school of Omaha. The system of conducting the work, and the schedule of prices is somewhat unusual. Women are allowed to bring their own material, have their own gown cut and fitted, and do their own sewing to the amount of ten days' work, all under the guidance of Miss Schanck, for the sum of five dollars. If one wishes to sew at the shop and receive help for one day only, the charge is 75 cents. The whole course including drafting, cutting, fitting and sewing upno your own material will be taught for $25. The complete course without practice sewing is $15.

The course need not all be taken at one time, but the work can be done at your leisure. Many of the Belmond women have made their own suits and winter coats by this plan, and the garments have a highly tailored appearance. The youngest student, a girl of fourteen, has made herself a dress of which any grown person may be proud.

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Rugs from old carpets, clothing, rags, makazines, rubbers, tires, tubes, brass, copper, old leather shoes, etc. We take anything a junk buyer takes but iron and newspapers. Get your stuff ready so I can weigh it and tell you what it will make and cost you, so I don't have to call 3 or 4 times. You know what these rugs are—the Best and Cheapest Rug made. My time in Belmond is short. Phone 11, or better, write me, and I will call and show you samples and prices. C. H. ...ham, Traveling "Reliable Rug ..." Belmond, Iowa.

Club Meeting—

The Priscilla club met with Mrs. F. O. Fitts this week.

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Card Club—

Miss Pletch entertained the Young Ladies' Five Hundred club at her home Nov. 3. This club consists of twelve members. Light refreshments were served.

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Card Party—

Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans entertained the Mid-Winter Recreation club at their first meeting on Nov. 5. Miss Emily Johnson of Dayton, Iowa, and Mrs. Walter Pritchard of Garner were out-of-town guests.

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Baazar—

The annual baazar of the M. E. Aid will be held December 18. They are planning a fine display of Christmas goods. Lunches will be served all day. More detailed notice will be given later.

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Club Meeting—

Miss Ruth Klemme entertained the Kensington club at their last regular meeting. Miss Emily Johnson sang a solo in her usual pleasing manner. Mrs. Ralph Stanberry of Mason City, was also a guest.

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In Belmond there are over 30 clubs and societies. The Independent will endeavor to present each week the news of interest from them all, and will appreciate any items from any club or society that its members may care to phone in. The phone number is 115. A party is society news, so iff you have a birthday, surprise, or social one, call 115 and we will be glad to print the news of it.

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Trinity Lutheran Aid Society—

The members met in the basement of the church Thursday, Nov. 6th, with Mrs. Jensen hostess. This meeting was the annual electino of officers. Mrs. O. T. Jacobson was elected president, Mrs. B. J. Johnson vice-president, and Mrs. L. Skouge treasurer. The society is very much pleased with the receipts for the year which amount to $450.00.

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Reception—

The class of 1910 entertained Prof. and Mrs. P. J. Scarbro at the home of one of its members, Miss Ialeen Flynn, on Tuesday, Nov. 4. This was the first class graduated by Prof. Scarbro during his term as superintendent of schools in Belmond. Dainty refreshments were served and a very enjoyable evening spent in games and chatting about "the good old times."

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Winter Picnic—

The winter picnic supper arranged by Rev. Edge and the M. E. church board was a very enjoyable affair. After the feast of good things the guests adjourned to the auditorium of the church where Superintendent Clegg gave an address relative to the plan of evangelization undetaken by the church. This meeting was not the annual picnic which will be held in January.

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W. R. C. Special Meeting—

The W. R. C. held a meeting Thursday, Nov. 14, at the home of Mrs. Robbins. Assistant state inspecteor, Mrs. Carpenter, of Iowa Falls, was present to audit the books and help formulate plans for the coming year. Mrs. Swartzendrover, Mrs. Fuller and Mrs. Penfield of Clarion, were guests of the afternoon. A picnic supper was served.

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Rebekahs—

The Rebekahs held an initiation of new members last Wednesday night. The degree staff, under the leadership of W. A. Parsons, did some excellent work. Mrs. Snyder gave an interesting report of the recent assembly at Ames to which she and Mrs. Voiles were delegates. Miss Ida Tyrrell is the present noble grand. An oyster supper was served at the close of the business meeting.

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Oyster Supper—

Mrs. Ward Martin entertained the Chain of Ten with an oyster supper last Monday. This gathering always have delightful times, as one can usually have a better time in a small congenial crowd than in a large one. The plan of the Chain of Ten is here explained for those newer residents who may not be familiar with its purpose. At each meeting five ladies invite five more for a purely social time. Light refreshments and entertainment are provided by the first five ladies, and a charge fo ten cents is made. The dollar goes to the M. E. Aid society. The five guests become hostesses and invite five more to the next meeting, and another link is thus added to the chain of friendly intercourse.

Mrs. P. J. Scarbro gave a dinner in their honor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Fitts Sunday, Nov. 2. These friends are informally called the "picnic crowd," from the fact that they have enjoyed picnics and Christmas celebrations together for several years. The members of the crowd are the Scarbro, Benson, Fitts, Madsen, Flynn and Tracy families, and Miss Helen Harberts and Mr. Herb Harberts.

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Shower—

Miss Adelaide Thompson was the guest of honor at a shower last week given by six girl friends. The group included the Misses Beatrice Barry, Loretta Delaney, Bernice Butts, Agnes Enger. Miss Thompson was enticed away for an auto ride by Miss Barry and they returned to a darkened house. At their entrance, however, they were greeted by lights and laughter, and merriment reigned supreme. The future bride was presented with a beautiful cut glass dish. Thru the means of the ouija board, the girls foretold a most wonderful future for Miss Adelaide.

BELMOND LOCAL NEWS

The M. & St. L. has ten cars of repair men laying steel between Belmond and Hampton.

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Chas. Sampson of Ackley, has sold his residence property in Belmond to his son Joe, the reported price being $6,000.

—I—

Mrs. Will Guest was operated on Sunday evening at the Steele hospital for a ruptured appendix, and is getting along very nicely.

—I—

Mrs. Quinn of South Dakota, a daughter of Pat Sullivan, underwent an abdominal operation at the hospital last week. She is recovering nicely.

—I—

Iva Busick is receiving medical treatment at the hospital. The exact nature of her illness has not been determined, but she is very ill.

—I—

H. Greenlander has decided to quit farming and will have a closing out sale next Monday, Nov. 24. See bills of sale for description of property.

—I—

Charley Wise, one of the sugar factory officials, was called to Toledo, O., last Saturday by the serious illness of his eightyear-old daughter. He left on the evening train that day.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Richardson will start November 29 for California to spend the winter months. W. A. Parsons will move into the Richardson residence when Mr. and Mrs. Richardson go west. Mr. Parsons has been living in the Sampson house, which was recently sold.

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The new officers of the Clarmond Country club are: President, Dr. George Steele; vice-president, George Young of Clarion; treasurer, Jno. Berg; secretary, Dr. Thornley of Clarion. These gentlemen together with A. M. Axon of Cornelia, O. P. Morton of Clarion, and W. C. Tyrrell of Belmond, compose the board of directors. Some of the work on the new club has been done, some of the tiling is completed, and work is being done on the plans. In the spring active work will be started.

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BELMOND, IOWA

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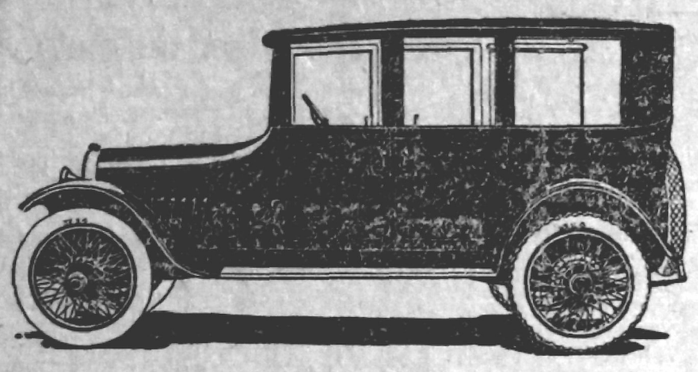

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DON'T BE TOO SURE ABOUT BUYING THAT NEW CAR NEXT SPRING WHEN YOU WANT IT. THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE RUNNING SEASON OPENS EVERY WAREHOUSE IN THE COUNTRY STORING CARS WILL BE EMPTY. MEN ARE LAYING OFF EVERY DAY FOR LACK OF STEEL BECAUSE THE DEMAND IS GREATER THAN THE SUPPLY.

THE SCRIPPS BOOTH CAR HAS ADVANCED $125 AND A RAISE OF ABOUT $75 IS EXPECTED ON THE OAKLAND. I HAVE HAD NO NOTICE OF PRICE CHANGES ON THE CHANDLER, NASH OR CHEVROLET.

ORDERS TAKEN NOW FOR TOURING CARS CAN BE DELIVERED WITHIN A FEW DAYS BECAUSE I HAVE TEN AUTOMOBILES TO BE SHIPPED THIS MONTH. FOUR OF THESE ARE SOLD FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY, TWO OF THEM HAVING BEEN ON ORDER OVER FOUR MONTHS. I ALSO HAVE ONE AUTOMOBILE SOLD FOR JANUARY 1ST DELIVERY AND ANOTHER FOR MARCH 1ST. THE NAMES OF THESE MEN CAN BE HAD FOR THE ASKING. CLOSED CARS CANNOT BE DELIVERED ON LESS THAN 60 DAYS NOTICE. A WORD TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT.

Chandler, Nash, Scripps Booth, Oakland and Chevrolet Automobiles

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BELMOND, IOWA

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wright Sunday-ed at Goodell with the James Trumbell family. They were accompanied by Norman Fry.

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Charley Roe, night clerk at the Hotel Case, has been quite seriously ill the past week. He was better, however, at last reports.

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Miss Marion Luick was shopping at Klemme last week Friday. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Ross Farmer, of Clarion.

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Hal Nourse, Leon Lathrop, Albert Fetrow, and Joe Barry were called to Clarion last week to serve on the jury for the Goldfield forgery case.

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Miss Mildred Gealow left this week for Mason City, where she will take a general business course in the Hamilton University of Commerce.

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Mrs. H. B. Brennen of Marshalltown, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Galloway. Mrs. Brennen is a sister of Mrs. Galloway.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. George Ahlstrom are the proud parents of a fine baby boy, Rex Hugo, born Saturday, Nov. 8. The new arrival was a seven-pounder.

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Mrs. Robert Clark of Audubon, Iowa, has been visiting her father, W. A. Shaffer, and assisting him in preparing their household goods for sale.

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Mr. and Mrs. Browne Bullard and baby of Mason City, were over Sunday guests at the home of Mr. Bullard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bullard.

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The first skating party of the season cut figure eights on Susan's bay, north of town, last week Thursday evening, the ice having frozen hard enough there for skating.

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Geo. Cutler of Clarion, was a visitor with friends and relatives in Belmond last Saturday. He was formerly a resident of this city, residing here many years ago.

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In the action of Morrison et al against Busick brothers et al now pending in the district court of this county, being an action in partition, Attorney W. E. Bullard was appointed by Judge R. M. Wright as sole referee to sell the southwest quarter (SW¼) of section five (5) township ninety-three (93) north of range twenty-three (23) west of the 5th P. M. Iowa.

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Mr. Felt is 45 years of ag tending his wife at present taking c t that mother at Jefferson, Iowa. states that he intends to ma home in Belmond the rest of h ied and next year is planning on bu r, a new home here. There has bee cigar maker here for twenty ye and Belmond welcomes Mr. Felt, n only as a business man but as citizen.

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BELMOND, IOWA

Local News Items

Mrs. W. A. Parsons has been on the sick list the past week.

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Miss Fern Trumbull was a recent visitor at Mankato, Minnesota.

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John Burress of Clarion, was a visitor here with friends Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans are spending a week with friends in Davenport.

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Mrs. Schultz, mother of Mrs. Rufe Morse, has returned from an extended visit at Rochester, Minn.

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The Henry Polmateer family have arrived from New York state. Henry has rented a farm near Alexander.

Mrs. John McAlpine was a visitor with friends in Ackley last week.

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Clarence Obrecht of Thornton, was in town Friday meeting old friends.

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Lola Smith of Klemme, was a guest with friends and relatives here last week.

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It is reported that the Meservey school has been closed because of diphtheria.

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Bruce McMurty of Goodell, was a guest Saturday and Sunday at the C. L. Smith home.

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Mrs. J. A. Adams' mother and brother from Eagle Grove were week-end guests with her.

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Mrs. Joy Lemke of Meservey, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Avery, last Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lester of Clarion, were guests of Mrs. Lester's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Johnson, last week.

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Edna Rourke and Credilla Wagner of Kanawha, were between trains visitors here last week while enroute to Clarion.

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Rudolph Saatoff of Burt, Iowa, was a caller here with friends and relatives last Tuesday. He was a former resident of Belmond, and is now engaged in the farming business near Burt.

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J. R. Saatoff attended the funeral of his niece, the thirteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Pals of Meservey, last week. The young girl suffered from rheumatism and heart trouble. She was the daughter of Mr. Saatoff's sister.

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LuVerne Smith, well known here where he attended the local high school, will go to Des Moines December 1, where he will take a general business course in the Capitol City Commercial college.

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Mrs. W. H. Galliger left the first of the week for Rochester, where she will receive treatment at the hospital there. Mrs. Galliger will return to Rochester at intervals for some time to receive treatments.

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ANDREW WHITTEN

ndrew Whitten, son of Daniel and John... a Whitten, was born at Rowan, ... a, February 3, 1885; was killed at ... lenz, Germany, August 24, 1919, ... d 34 years, 6 months and 21 days. Coolid... rew lived with his parents on the State... e farm until he entered the rail... full m... l service in which he continued ty fa... he enlisted in the army. He en... ed at Fort Snelling, Minn., June 4, Farm ..., and served with Co. H, 1st Min... ota Infantry until November 11, ..., when he was sent to Camp ... y, New Mexico. Then he was ...sferred to Co. H, 135th Infantry ... was made a corporal. Here he ...ed nearly one year drill... new recruits. He left for over... with the 259 th P.W.E. (Prison... of War Escort) arriving at Brest, ...nce, Oct. 22, 1918. While in ...nce he was stationed at Tours ...rding German prisoners. Later ... was sent to Germany with the ...y of occupation. After the arm... ...e was signed he received an hon... ...le discharge. Later he concluded ... re-enlist, which he did June 26, ... 0. He was at this time transfer... to Co. A, 8th Infantry, with ... ch he was serving at the time of ... death, August 24, 1919. ...ten that were associated with him ... the army say that he was an ex... ...lary soldier and unusually effi... ...t as a drill master for new re... ...its. When he re-enlisted he was ...uced to the ranks of a private. ..., however, his commanding officer ... learning of his extended service ... his efficientcy as a corporal, was ... steps at the time of his death ...ave him restored to the ranks of ...oral and then advanced to the ... of sergeant.

...w was the first soldier ... those who are represented on ...vice flags of Rowan to give ... the service of his country. ... gold, which is on the ...nal church service flag, ...ine with radiant efful... ...emory of the heroes of ... ...ost of the American ...ored itself by the use ... is known as the An... ...ost No. 159. As a ...y our simple tribute ... Andrew Whitten; ... him, but we are ... people. The ... his faihtful ser... ...e ungrateful ... and by his un... death at his post of duty. ...le a boy in his father's home, ...w became a member of the ... Congregational church. ... leaves to mourn his departure ...her, Daniel Whitten, Sr., three ...rs, Hugh, Daniel, Jr., and Wil... ...all of Rowan; two sisters, Mrs. ... Ramsay of Belmond, and Mrs. ... Brinkman of Rowan. The ...n family have the sympathy ... entire community in the loss ... and brother.

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Memorial Service.

...nerica...orial service in honor of An...spect...hitten, who was killed in ...ive. ...ny August 24th, was held at ...stice ...ongregational church Sunday ...wildly...on. Following is the program ...n ev...ed voluntary: ...have—"In Flanders Field," Mrs. A. ...hearly. ...ith an...ture. ...die. ...n—"In That City," Quartette. ...e men...er. ...h to h...—" 'Neath Eden's Skies," Miss ...re gra...ne Ballou. ...proud...ling of Obituary—James Row... ...eater be...t commander. ...who ret...ion—Rev. J. W. Bonnell. ...admi...n—"Lord God of Hosts," Quar... ...ory th... Bonnell presented the Ameri... ...hem...egion, Andrew Whitten Post ...er ..., a beautiful flag and staff in ...b... of the Whitten brothers, Hugh, ...o... and William Whitten, in honor ...ir brother Andrew. James ... post commander, accepted the ... behalf of the post. ... post members attended this ... in uniform. This was a very ...ive service, Rev. Bonnell de... ...t an excellent memorial ser...

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...llowing are the officers of ...ican Legion, Andrew Whit... (59:

...mmander—James Whitten. ...t Commander—Floyd Whit... ...retary—Clarence Williams. ... Officer—Fletchey Howell. ...—William Rietz. ...orian—Albert Moellering. ...has thirty-three members, ... W. Bonnell as honorary

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usic by orchestra composed of Miss Esther Fowler, piano; Clarence Williams, violin; William Rietz, Clarinet.

Talk on American Legion, by J. F. Howell.

Patriotic Solo, with violin obligato —"The End of a Perfect Day," by Miss LaVonne Ballou.

Sermon—Rev. Bonnell.

Singing—America.

Fine New Stock Pavilion.

A splendid new stock pavilion is in course of construction at Rowan, erected by the Franklin-Wright Breeders' association for the purpose of selling blooded stock.

The pavilion is 60x140 feet, of hollow brick construction, and cost $12,000.00. This sun was raised by selling stock among the members of the association, people of Rowan, and farmers in the surrounding territory. It is situated at the Main street corner. The building consists of an office, sales ring and barn proper, in which there are four rows of stalls.

Guy Toyan purchased a Dodge runabout at Clarion recently.

The Knox Concert company gave an entertainment at the school house Saturday evening, this being the second number on the lecture course which the school has put on for this winter.

Temperance Sunday was observed at the Congregational church Sunday morning, the pastor, Rev. J. W. Bonnell, gave a very interesting temperance sermon.

Walter Meyers, who has been clerking in a drug store at Garner, has returned home for the winter.

The beet dump has been busy the past few weeks, as the farmers are harvesting their beets. Miss Dorothy Steffens is the bookkeeper and Mrs. Dave Smith is assisting her. Thirty car loads of beets have been shipped to Mason City so far this season.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry ... Iowa, family have moved to ... Boyd, where Mr. Aldrich an... the Keith who has been employ...nths, have garage for the past ... blacksmith purchased a gar... Boyd and ni... shop. Mr. an... moving wire ... up and ... Rece... ce Frances Farr... to Hardy this week.

Mrs. O. ...allou went to Galt Friday to assist in the care of her mother, who is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. N. Tibbitts.

Mrs. D. E. Harris was a Belmond visitor Saturday.

Mrs. J. D. Farren, Frances and Robbie, went to Chicago Friday evening to spend a few days with friends.

Mrs. Susian Hianes and granddaughter, Mrs. Howard Box, spent Saturday afternoon at the Silas Church home in Belmond. Mrs. Hianes is a sister of Mr. Church.

Rev. and Mrs. Harvell of Forest City, spent a few days the past week with their son, J. F. Harvell and and family.

Rev. William Hardcastle of Iowa Falls, state field secretary of Congregational churches, spoke in the interest of the Pilgrim Memorial fund at the Congregational church Sunday evening.

A miscellaneous shower was given in honor of Mrs. Willard McCallum at the F. H. Fowler home Thursday afternoon. The guests enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon and Mrs. McCallum received very beautiful gifts.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum spent the past week in Dubuque visiting her mother and other relatives.

Miss Ruby Aten went to Des Moines Wednesday noon to attend teachers' meeting. Miss Lena Darighem of Clarion, met her at Dows, also going to the meeting.

Miss Inez Fowler has closed fall term of school at the Maple Grove school six miles east of town.

The Rowan consolidated school enjoyed a vacation the past week. The teachers all attending the teachers' meeting in Des Moines Thursday and Friday. They also spent the first part of the week with friends. Miss Kurvink at Hudson, Miss Snider at Fairfield, Miss Aten at Iowa Falls, and the other teachers at their homes. The school board has recently hired in Englishcmfwyp shrdlu etaoin ww Mr. Crawl of Des Moines to instruct in English history. There is still a vacancy in the domestic science department.

Mrs. Mary Ballou and grandson, Franklin, went to Anita the past week to spend the winter at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Cate.

The Rowan hotel has changed hands again, as Dick Brannon of Hampton, purchased the hotel of Mr. Berger Noonan and daughter who have had charge of the hotel the past three months, returned to their home in Traer.

Guy Sheldon attended a insurance convention in Des Moines a few days the past week.

Miss LaVonne Ballou returned Friday from a two w... visit with relatives in Chicago.

Mr. J. A. Dayton ... Cedar Rapids, came Thursday to m...e his home for the winter with his daughter, Mrs. D. A. French.

George Pritchitt was a business caller at Clarion Friday and Saturday.

Dr. Ryan of Hampton, was a guest of friends in town a few days the past week. Miss Dorothy Pritchitt returned home with him Sunday evening.

Miss Fanny Reed has been visiting relatives at Freeport, Ill., the past two months, returned home Friday.

Mrs. Clarence Lindsey and sister, Mary Steffens, were dental callers at Hampton Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fowler have received word that their daughter, Mrs. Milton Brown and husband, are moving to Avoka, Iowa.

The M. E. ladies met Tuesday afternoon to clean the parsonage.

The Congregational ladies met with Mrs. Rietz Thursday afternoon.

The Congregational Ladies' Missionary society met with Mrs. L. A. Hoke Friday afternoon. The society has for its study "Deeds off fthe Pilgrim Fathers," the history of the Congregational church, which is very interesting and instructive.

Miss Rankins of Belmond, was a business caller in town between trains on Saturday.

Mr. John Brinkman and family have stored their household goods for the winter and are visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Earl Carpenter, of near Dows, for a few weeks. Later Mr. Brinkman and daughters, Anna and Helen, expect to go to California for the winter months.

Miss Nellie Kurhuff is assiting with the housework at the J. F. Harvell home.

J. A. Kjar and family moved into their residence Saturday which they recently purchased from D. A. French. Mr. and Mrs. Willard McCallum will occupy Mrs. Rowen's house vacated by the Kjar family.

Mr. and Mrs. Milt Ramsay and family of Belmond, were guests Sunday at the home of Mrs. Ramsay's father, Daniel Whitten and family.

Clint and Fred Kerchival have purchased the garage business of R. H. ... and rented his garage. They will take over the business March 1st. In the meantime Fred Kerchival will attend an automobile school at Kansas City. Mr. Keith will have charge of the blacksmith shop.

D. A. French is having the upper story of his town residence finished off into two bed rooms.

Miss Edith Parliman, who has been visiting her sister, rs. Walter Friend, near Vinton, for the past six weeks, has entered state teachers' college at Cedar Falls to take the normal training course of twelve weeks.

Miss Blanche Box, who is attending Ellsworth college at Iowa Falls, spent the week-end at home.

Elmer, the infant son off Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nigg died Oct. 28th, aged seven days. A brief funeral servce was conducted from the family residence last Wednesday afternoon by Rev. J. W. Bonnell of the Congregational church. Interment was made in the Graceland cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Nigg have the sympathy of the entire community in the loss of their baby.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Conn and son Claire, were Sunday guests with Mrs. Conn's cousin, Mrs. Carl Weld and ffamily of near Clarion.

Mrs. Clint Kerchival and son Charles were guests at the Frank Kerchival home at Harney Sunday evening and Monday.

Miss Esther Fowler was a Belmond shopper Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bingham of Iowa Falls, spent Monday at the home of her sister, Mrs. E. Bingham, and other relatives in town. Mr. and Mrs. Bingham leave this week for Long Beach, California, where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. J. D. Pritchett returned Monday morning from Washington, D. C., where she has spent the past four weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ray Williams, and also make the acquaintance of her first grandchild, Rodger Pritchett Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carpentar of near Dows, are the proud parents of a daughter, Lucile Virginia, who arrived to gladden their home during the past week.

A miscellaneous shower was given in honor of Mrs. William Rietz at the B. F. Hadley home Friday evening. Mrs. Rietz was recipient of many beautifufl and useful gifts from her numerous friends.

Miss Dorothy Pritchett was taken to Hampton hospital Wednesday evening for an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. A. Williams and daughter, MMrs. D. Halbrooks and children, went to Hayfield Tuesday to spend a few days at the home of Mrs. Williams' daughter, Mrs. Peter Scherk and family.

Mrs. Howard Box was a guest at the H. J. C. Box home a few days the past week. Her husband is assisting his father with his fall plowing.

The local Red Cross workers have been busy the past week soliciting. Results have been quite gratifying to the committee in charge of this drive.

The Methodist Home Missionary society held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Ida Ryder, with Miss Nora Shaffer as leader.

Donald Farren departed the past week for Santa Ana, California, where he will visit his aunt. He will also visit with the Charles Benson family. Donald plans to attend school in the west.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Polmetur and family motored from New York in nine days, arriving in town Wednesday evening. He moved with his family to New York last spring, but owing to his health has returned to good old Iowa, having rented a farm near Alexander. They are guests of Mrs. Polmetur's grandmother, Mrs. Cole, and also at the D. A. French home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pritchett enjoyed an oyster supper at the Will Whitten home Thursday evening.

Theo. Hansen's general merchandise store was burglarized Friday evening, taking about $2000 worth of goods, including shoes, silks, hose, silk skirts, waists, silk and woolen goods, sweaters, coats and furs and numerous other articles. They packed their loot in suit cases and bags belonging to the store. Sheriff Fisher was called and the parties were tracked to near Mason City, as they drove a Ford with four different tires. This is the second time that this store has been burglarized.

Ralph Whitten came up from Grinnell Saturday, where he is attending college, to attend the memorial of his uncle, Andrew Whitten, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. C. W. Fowler and Mrs. Georgana Rowen were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Packard at Belmond Saturday afternoon.

Miss Tressa Whitten spent a few days the past week with her friend Miss Lucy Haupt in Clarion.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Howell are the proud parents of a son, who was born Friday evening. They have named the little chap John Pershing.

BELMOND LOCAL NEWS

Summer Trumbell of Goodell, was in town on business last Saturday.

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Mrs. Lloyd Green of Alexander, was shopping in the city last Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Len Wilson of Goodell were Belmond caller last week Saturday.

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Miss Eva Bamford of Kanawha, was visiting friends in Belmond during the week end.

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Mr. and Mrs. L J Dalrymple were visitors at Woolstock last week, returning the first of the week.

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Eddie Rierson visited his brother, Clifford, at Oakdale, Iowa, last week. Clifford was in the navy, and is taking treatment at the sanitarium.

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Mrs. George Baldridge and daughter of Kanawha, were between-train callers enroute to Fort Dodge last Friday.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Dempsey are the proud parents fo a daughter, born Nov. 5. Her daughter, Miss Eva, who is a nurse at the Steele hospital, is caring for her mother.

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LuVerne Smith of Clear Lake, was a visitor with friends and relatives here last week.

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Miss Marjorie Flynn, who is teaching in the Goodell schools, was a guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Flynn, during the week end.

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Mrs. Ross Farmer of Clarion, was visiting at her home here last week. Mrs. Farmer was formerly Miss Mattie Luick.

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Mrs. Nate Church livng north of Belmond, has been quite ill the past week or two.

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Ray Healey of Garner, was a visitor with old friends in Belmond last Friday.

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Dr. Brock returned last Friday from Minneapolis, where he had been on business.

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Miss Sylvia Brooks of Clear Lake, was a guest with friends in Belmnod last Friday and Saturday, returning home Sunday.

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Building Material

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Get it done before you need to begin using the buildings. It will pay you in time and convenience---and that means profit to you.

We Have the Material You Need on Hand Now

Right Materials at Right Prices

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We handle a complete line of home killed

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Fresh Home-Made Sausage and Bologna

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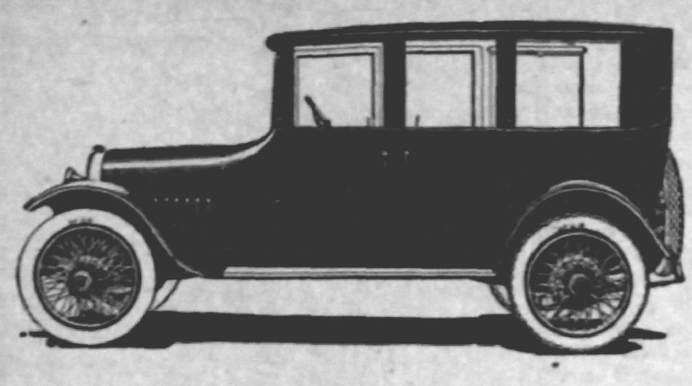

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DON'T BE TOO SURE ABOUT BUYING THAT NEW CAR NEXT SPRING WHEN YOU WANT IT. THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE RUNNING SEASON OPENS EVERY WAREHOUSE IN THE COUNTRY STORING CARS WILL BE EMPTY. MEN ARE LAYING OFF EVERY DAY FOR LACK OF STEEL BECAUSE THE DEMAND IS GREATER THAN THE SUPPLY.

THE SCRIPPS BOOTH CAR HAS ADVANCED $125 AND A RAISE OF ABOUT $75 IS EXPECTED ON THE OAKLAND. I HAVE HAD NO NOTICE OF PRICE CHANGES ON THE NASH OR CHEVROLET. AN ADVANCE OF $125 WILL GO ON THE CHANDLER DECEMBER 1.

ORDERS TAKEN NOW FOR TOURING CARS CAN BE DELIVERED WITHIN A FEW DAYS BECAUSE I HAVE TEN AUTOMOBILES TO BE SHIPPED THIS MONTH. FOUR OF THESE ARE SOLD FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY, TWO OF THEM HAVING BEEN ON ORDER OVER FOUR MONTHS. I ALSO HAVE ONE AUTOMOBILE SOLD FOR JANUARY 1ST DELIVERY AND ANOTHER FOR MARCH 1ST. THE NAMES OF THESE MEN CAN BE HAD FOR THE ASKING. CLOSED CARS CANNOT BE DELIVERED ON LESS THAN 60 DAYS NOTICE. A WORD TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT.

Chandler, Nash, Scripps Booth, Oakland and Chevrolet Automobiles

Nordschow Motor Co.

BELMOND, IOWA

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

(From Clarion Monitor)

H W Waddell to Emily Croghan lot 4, blk 13, Eagle Grove $2800.

Henry W Smalley to Mable Malaise 1-8 int in lot 8, outlot A Woolstock $325.

Rebecca Olson to A Hobbet lots 4, 5, 6, blk 3, Lynch's add, Eagle Grove, $2000.

W C. Smith to Andrew Egland e 54½ft lot 5, w 13 ft lot 6, blk 41, Cadwell's 1st add, Eagle Grove, $2000.

W C Smith to J T Johnson, all ot 4 w 6½ ft lot 5, blk 41, Cadwell's 1st add Eagle Grove, $2000.

S S Hamilton to Community Service Station Co, lots 22, 23, 24, blk 5, Ry add, Clarion, $2.

Emma Larsen to Charlotte Beach w½ of lot 8 e 16½ ft lot 7, blk 3, Eskridges 3d add Dows, $3500.

LeRoy Mann to H C Hansen lots 23, 24, blk 3, Eastman's add Clarion, $200.

W W Courson to John W Ulrich, lot 4, blk 2, Dows add Clarion, $2700.

M G Luna to M R Guitierres, und ½ int in lot 8, blk 19, Walnut Grove add to Clarion, $400.

O G Tracy to E L Madsen n½ of lots 3, 4, blk 3, Belmond, $1100.

Delia E SSumners to W F Hill lots 3-4, blk 11, Sturgeon's add Clarion, $3000.

G J Meier to J M Shirk e 55 ft lot 2, blk 1, Clarion, $950.

Frank Hanson to E F Mosher Reserve in Cox's 2d add Eagle Grove, and part e¼ of ne¼ 27-91-26 lying s and e of C G W R R, $7700.

Louis Skouge to John McGrath tract in se¼ 24-95-24, $843.

Lewis Hauge to Mary C Hauge se¼ nw¼ 14-93-24, $1.

Elling Ellingston to Nettie Ellingston s½ nw¼ ne¼ nw¼ 29-93-24, $1.

August Hunst to Remie Hunst nw¼ sw¼ 35-93-24, $1.

William Jensen to T K Whipple lot 5, blk 16 Sturgeon's add to Clarion, $1450.

Hans C Madison to Ed Kriens, lot 1, blk 13, Morse Bros. add to Belmond, $1.00.

Francis F Neiderheiser to M F and W M Coons n 24-ft 9 in lot 6 and s 11 ft 6 in lot 7, blk 21, Goldfield, $1950.

D W Beisell to M F Coons lot 31, blk 26, Goldfield, $1500.

Carl W Thorup to Richard and William Romf com tract in 27-91-26, $1000.

John Reynolds to H H Bisher lots 2-7, blk 22, Eastman's add to Clarion, $2000.

F C Hartshorn to Hugh H Hartshorn se¼ sec 25-92-25 and e 100 a of se¼ sec 11 and ne¼ of ne¼ 14-91-25, $1.00.

L H Thompson to H O Larson lot 15, blk 15, Hewitt's Park add to Eagle Grove, $300.

Cassius M Severe Jr. to C M Severe w½ of ne¼ 30-91-23, $1.00.

The Way the Farmer Has borrowed Money

Cost of $10,000 loan for 34½ years at 5½ per cent nterest with a commission of 2 per cent and six successive five-year renewals at the same commission:

Seven commissions of $200.00 each	$ 1400.00
Interest value of commissions at 5½ per cent	1501.50
Interest for 34½ years on $10,000 at 5½ per cent	18925.00
The old style loan has cost	21826.50
AND YOU STILL OWE	10000.00
Total	$31826.50

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Loans $10,000 for 34½ years (or smaller amounts on the same basis with

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Loans are made at actual cost. Liberal prepayment options. Prompt service, and the borrower is permitted to participate in the profits of the Federal Land Banks, which reduces the rate to approximately 5 per cent. Applications are now being received for March 1st closing. If you need a farm loan see A. S. LUND, Sec'y-Treas., at the

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Belmond, Iowa

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When you want something in the way of a present for father, mother, brother, sister or sweetheart, don't forget that you can find it in my line of chains, knives, brooches, rings, and lavaliers, as well as other articles usually kept in a first-class Jewelry Store.

T. B. WALLACE

Eyes Tested and Glasses Fitted. Jeweler and Optometrist

AMONG OUR NEIGHBORS.

T. B. Wallace of Belmond, visited here over Sunday with relatives.—Goldfield Chronicle.

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Miss Ellen Roseland returned to Belmond Friday, after a few days' visit with friends here.—Klemme Times.

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A number of young people from here went to Belmond Monday evening to take in the big dance. Hunt's orchestra from Fort Dodge, furnished some excellent music. All report a good time.—Klemme Times.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lester and daughters Jessie and Jean, who have been spending a few weeks with Mrs. C. Wilson and family departed Monday for San Diego, Calif. Next summer they expect to locate in Los Angeles, where Miss Jessie will attend college.—Clarion Monitor.

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G. M. Patrick of Belmond and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bailey who have been living at Van Hook, N. D., arrived Tuesday and will spend the winter with relatives here and at other Iowa points. In the spring they expect to locate in Sawyer, S. D.—Kanawha Reporter.

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Belmond Independent Makes Its Bow.

Crammed full of news the Belmond Independent arrived Tuesday dressed in its Volume 1 No. 1 clothes. The editor, R. A. Rankins, and his staff put a lot of work on the first issue from its appearance, and if they can hold the pace they will establish a new record in Northern Iowa weekly journalism. They are to be heartily congratulated on the first issue.—Clarion Clipper.

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Thanks for the Bouquet.

Wright County Monitor: The first copy of the Independent, the new paper at Belmond, came to hand yesterday. It is edited by R. A. Rankins and the first number is a splendid example of newspaperdom. It is chuck full of news, with a liberal advertising patronage and presents a neat mechanical appearance.

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Annual Tax Sale.

The delinquent tax list this year for Wright county is a small affair, which speaks well for the prosperity of our citizens. The tax payers in six of the sixteen townships have paid their assessments in full and do not appear on the delinquent list. They are Boone, Grant, Lake, Liberty, Troy and Woolstock. Of the remaining ten townships several have but one delinquent and four is the largest number in any township. Among the towns Belmond, Clarion and Dows have only two or three pieces advertised, while the Eagle Grove list equals nearly half the number of pieces in the entire list. For the most part they are lots in the outskirts of that city. The annual sale of the property advertised will take place at the office of E. A. Allen, county treasurer, on Monday, December 1st.—Clarion Monitor.

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Fishermen's Prizes Awarded.

The sportsmen's prizes offered by the Corner Drug store have stimulated interest in the big fish catches at Wall lake the past season. Many of the best ones were displayed in the Linebarger & Taber window, and a record kept, from which prize awards were made as follows: Bass, first prize, Bristol rod, Chas. Bunn, Clarion, length 21 in., weight 6 lbs. 11 oz. Second prize, tri-part reel, L. D. Beecher, Eagle Grove, length 20½ in., weight 5 lbs. 15 oz. Third prize, silk line, F. L. Youngglove, Eagle Grove, length 19½ in., weight 5 lbs. 1-4 oz. Pickerel, one prize, reel, J. D. Hazelton, Clarion, length 36½ in., weight 11 lbs. 7 oz. Other pickerel catches worthy of mention were one of 10 lbs. 8 oz. by Rev. Minty, Fort Dodge; one 6 lbs. 6 oz. by Chas. Tallman, Clarion; one 6 lbs. 5-8 oz. by Geo. Smith of Clarion.—Clarion Monitor.

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Print Paper Shortage.

The advertising rates in the Chronicle were raised from twenty-five cents an inch to twenty-eight cents an inch on the first of November. This raise is very small, and should have been placed at thirty cents, as this paper will be very fortunate if it can maintain the increased rate and still make the same money it made before the raise. The print paper situation is the worst of anything in the country, and this lack of supply is not caused by the demand that we read so much about. It is caused by a lot of robbers and everybody in the printing business knows it. The shortage of print is made so purposely, and any story to the contrary is a lie. The manufacturers were taught by the government how to make more money during the war and they are now getting to be just exactly like the hogs when given a fresh bucket of swill—each one trying to drink the whole trough full. How long the swill will last nobody knows, but in time the newspapers are FUL. huge tribute to the octupus. hope it will not be any worse too—spring. unkful

The foregoing clipping from these Hampton Chronicle is just about ri the The Independent does not kno whether it is because of too man hogs in the trough, or because of an honest shortage of print paper, that the prices are so high, but it does know that print is pushing all altitude records hard and is still going strong. Paper three or four years ago that cost forty or fifty dollars a ton is over three times that now. The Independent paid $140 a ton for 1000 lbs. last Thursday, and was lucky to get even that amount. The company refused to sell more than half a ton to any one customer.

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For 1920 styles see the Nunn-Bush shoes at Carlston & Skovlin's.

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Jasper Johnson is the new clerk at the O. T. Jacobson store, beginning his duties last Tuesday.

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American Boy school shoes in English or Army lasts at Carlston & Skovlin's.

—I—

When in need of dress shoes, stop in at Carlston & Skovlin's and try on a pair of Nunn-Bush.

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But few people of Belmond know of a new industry that came here a couple of months ago, that of Clarence

Belmond Local News

Ernest Haupt was a visitor last Thursday at Olaf.

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Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill were Mason City callers last week ednesday.

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Cal Thomas of Goodell, was a visi- r in Belmond last week Friday. th

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so that next yea uffering from a more men he will a the result of a Belmond around thi hundred thousand c some business when the telephone ure it up. He secures ss trip to from Ohio and Connec y. states that have the r growing the best cigar to ason City

Mr. Felt is 45 years of a tending his wife at present taking c t that mother at Jefferson, Iowa. states that he intends to ma home in Belmond the rest of h ed and next year is planning on bu a new home here. There has bee cigar maker here for twenty ye and Belmond welcomes Mr. Felt, n only as a business man but as citizen.

VALVE IN THE HEAD MOTOR CAR

BUICK

When better automobiles are built Buick will build them.

Order your car now for spring delivery and avoid disagreeable delay when you find it practically impossible to do without a car.

M. O. CRAWFORD

BELMOND, IOWA

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Overcoat Time

Its's here; we have the coats; you see a back view of one in the illustration; a belter. Many other good ones by Hart Schaffer and Marx.

For best style, quality and value, come to us. You'll get it all---if you don't think so--- money back.

C. C. McGuire

The home ot Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes

The ROWAN DEPAR

ANDREW WHITTEN

ndrew Whitten, son of Daniel and a Whitten, was born at Rowan, Jo a, February 3, 1885; was killed at has lenz, Germany, August 24, 1919, Coolid d 34 years, 6 months and 21 days. Coolid drew lived with his parents on the e- e farm until he entered the railvery State l service in which he continue the full r l he enlisted in the army. He d lay ty fi d at Fort Snelling, Minn., Jun and the Bure 7, and served with Co. H, 1st a Legion Farm ta Infantry until Novemb American. 7, when he was sent to is going to Co y, New Mexico. Then ce for good nsferred to Co. H, 135th 0 per cent On was made a corporal. t generation. eren ed nearly one y stands first of new recruits. He le 100 per cent. ds with the 259 th P.V. his country needs Gof War Escort) arri r thing right now. ance, Oct. 22, 19 oming a mixture of nce he was stat a genuine honest-to- rding German becoming as scarce as was sent to G olsheviki's head; the ay of occupatio he future will be a con- sce was signed ixture of Dutch, Norwe- re-enlist, wi , English, and 57 varieties h9. He was races. And these future to Co. as are, a great many of them, gh he wa require educating up to the d death, an standard of ideals, to a real- hen tha of what American freedom and the ar y means. A good many so-called hlary ericans need it now. T e American hit a ion will be the one great force of tits. ucation for the future citizens. buc The great war showed, as nothing else ever has or ever could, what true Americanism means. The laying aside of petty jealousies, subjugating the personal element for the benefit of the whole, the working of the people for their country regardless of personal interests, these were things that illustrated the true American character. And these are the things which the American Legion will teach.

The ex-service men, it is conceded, will be the governing force of the country for the next 25 to 50 years. They are the cream of the country, the best blood of the nation with 100 per cent American ideas and ideals. Anything that they may plan or do will touch upon every man's interest. The Belmond branch, Eimbrink Post of the American Legion, is going to have its part to play in the great scheme. It behooves every service man of the community to be present at the post's meetings, and every citizen of Belmond to take an active interest in the post's affairs. It is a duty—and a privilege, just as it is both to be an American.

KEEP THE OLD CLOTHES TURNING.

Just about a year ago everybody was singing "Keep the Home Fires Burning." They are singing the same tune now, with slightly different words to the song. And just about as much feeling in the singing, likewise.

Our new clothes are something to victory m about, but not to wear. If Sol and mon in all his glory was to buy merica glory now, old Sol would have respect ne duds, but nothing left in the hive. ck behind the cubpoard. Folks now- lstice ays have got to keep the old clothes will turning, or else turn over their bank in account and a mortgage on the old homestead for a new outfit of hand- me-downs. It's becoming fashionable to turn 'em anyway. And you know if anything becomes the fashion it's all right, regardless. Jay Pieplant Snoreagain goes to his office in a $10,000.00 gold plated grown up Henry, wearing a pair of last year's pants with a three-cornered patch on the west end, and right away it becomes the thing to wear 'em so. Everybody keeps their old clothes turning—for awhile, until the next sassity craze happens along.

And they think they've sprung a new one, when as a matter of fact John Jones and Bill Smith and the countless millions of their fellow men have been keeping 'em turned for centuries on end. They had to, or suffer great embarrasment. Oftimes they didn't dare turn around because they didn't have anything to keep turning. It's a case of necessity nowadays, however, even with the aristocrats. You read where the president of Shears & Sawbuck can't afford to buy new shoes, and has his old ones half-soled, and where J. Ogden Armour is wearing his graduation suit because he can't afford new ones, and where his cabinet officer is seriously considering coming to work next Monday morning at 11:45 wearing last week's style in spats.

It's bringing the classes together, at that; sort of mutual meeting ground, so to speak. When Bill Jones and Jawn Dividend meet they can discuss the latest style in patches, compare colors, and gossip about it in a friendly way like women do when they get started on operations. And it may teach both classes a few things, likewise: that economy can be practiced if you've got the nerve to do it.

W. W. QUESTION

ting and killing of four ex- t Centralia, Washington, on ce Day, during a patriotic in which they were participat- s just about the limit of what erica will stand from the I. W. W. usimg. It is beyond the limit: one Missember of the gang of thugs was Wilynched by the crowd.

The Independent does not by any means favor lynch law or mob rule, but it has this much to say about it: Had it been four soldiers from Belmond who were brutally assassinated, the editor would have been found right up among those present when the rope was pulled tight.

We have been entirely too lenient with this bunch of crooks and thieves; we have allowed them to turn liberty into license; our courts of law will not apply the screws until, as one government detective said, the man is caught with the bomb in his hand. It is, time the law was applied, and applied hard. Unless it is, mob law will rule. And mob law, at least, is immediate; it does not wait months upon months, and then delay on a technicality. It goes and gets what it wants, does the job up in jig time, and goes home.

Any blame that may be attached for events such as the Centralia incident should be attached to American law. Our law system is a fizzle and a failure; the justice of it is becoming a joke. No man goes to law any more unless he has enough money to fight it out for the fun of fighting. The people are losing their respect for the law and with loss of respect comes mob rule. The I. W. W.'s know they can murder, burn, and destroy, and get away with it so far as the law is concerned. They must be taught that the law is not a joke and a by-word, that we will not stand for the abusing of American liberty. If mob law must bring them this respect, then it is high time our law system was taken apart, the cockroaches removed from the works, the wheels oiled, and a legal machine put together that will turn out something besides lynchings.

HELLO, CENTRAL!

Do you know how many phone calls go thru central every day? How many do you suppose? A good many hundreds, don't you think? Suppose there are 500, and you call for a certain party during the day, and Central says the line is busy, or you have to wait a minute before Central answers. What do you do, rise up and "bawl out" the girl on the other end of the line, or politely ask for your number? And do you ever say, "Thank you?" It has been most truly said that you can judge a person better by the way they use the telephone than by their conversation. Why is it that so many people think they have a right to raise Cain generally if they fail to get Central right on the dot? If people realized the number of calls the telephone girl has to handle every day, and that there may a dozen calls in at the same time theirs is, and that Central is doing her best to give everybody prompt service, they might not be quite so cranky when they are delayed half a minute. Over in Europe folks consider themselves lucky if they get a number within ten minutes after they call, and a long distance call, well, when they want long distance they call for it and then write a letter. Because Americans are eternally in a hurry, and want what they want when they want it, they abuse a privilege and lose all sense of common politeness by bawling out Central when she fails to answer at once. Please and thank you require no effort and cost nothing, but they mean a lot. Politeness never caused any harm yet, especially when using the phone. If you are a boor in your conversation, be one when phoning; if you're polite one place be so another. We wouldn't be a telephone "Central" for any money; our temper is too short, and some half-wit who called up with his comical (?) "Hello, Central, give me heaven," would be getting "the wrong number."

Consolidated School Meeting is Called.

Des Moines, Iowa, Nov. 19.—State Supt. P. E. McClenahan today announced a conference on consolidated schools to be held at Cedar Falls Feb. 17 to 19, which is to be national in its scope. It is being called by United States Commissioner of Education P. P. Claxton of Washington, D. C.

Governors, state superintendents, directors of consolidated schools and federal department workers will attend the conference which is the first of its kind ever held in the United States. From 1,000 to 2,000 educators will probably attend.

"Iowa was chosen as the place for the holding of this conference largely because of the interest in this region in consolidated schools and the success of the movement here," said Supt. McClenahan.

We want a correspondent in every town and village in this part of the county. We want to give our readers all the local happenings. Help us by doing your bit. Send for material.

SOCIETY NOTES

A Correction.

In the write-up last week of the shower given Adelaide Thompson, the names of Mary Tomson and Mabel Nelson were omitted from the list of girls who gave the shower. The Independent begs pardon for the error.

Card Club—

Mrs. Herman Schultz entertained the Mid-Winter Recreation club at her home last Wednesday evening.

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Auction Bridge—

Mrs. John Rule will entertain the Auction Bridge club on Tuesday evening of this week. This club is composed of twelve members.

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Social—

The young people of the M. E. church enjoyed a delightful social time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe White last Friday evening.

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Priscilla Club—

The Priscilla club met with Mrs. Marvin Christie last week. This was not the regular meeting, but was held last week because of the Thanksgiving holiday coming during the regular week for the club.

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Missionary Meeting—

The Congregational missionary meeting met in the church parlors last Thursday with Mrs. Geo. Elder as leader and the Mesdames Wallace, E. E. Boughton and Williams as hostesses. The topic for study was "Sunday School Missions."

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Congregational Aid Society—

The regular business meeting of the Congregational Aid society was held in the basement of the church the second Thursday of the month. The report showed $176 as the proceeds from the annual bazaar.

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Camp Fire Luncheon—

Miss Bernetas Wolle entertained the Camp Fire girls at a luncheon on Friday evening, November 14, at her home in south Belmond. The luncheon was in honor of Miss Marvel Robinson, whose birthday it was. The young ladies spent a very enjoyable evening with Miss Bernetas.

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Idle Hour Club—

The Idle Hour club was organized about a ear ago with Mrs. Pfaltzgraff as president, and Mrs. Guy Baker, secretary. This is a social club and meets every two weeks. The last meeting which was to have been held at the home of Mrs. Courtney, was postponed on account of bad roads.

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Kensington Club—

The Kensington club met last Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. C. C. McGuire. The afternoon was spent in doing fancy work and visiting. Light refreshments were served towards evening. Mrs. C. G. Pritchard of Buffalo Center, was the guest of the meeting, which was very much enjoyed by all present.

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Rosary Society—

The Rosary society of St. Francis church met in the basement of the library last Thursday afternoon. This was a special meeting to make plans for the food sale which takes place this week. Dainty refreshments were served. The next meeting will be in two weeks with Mesdames John McAlpine, Geo. Brady and T. S. Wallace as hostesses.

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Reception—

About seventy people were guests at an informal reception given by Miss Hammond in honor of her friend, Miss Margaret Ren. This reception was held in the high school gymnasium after the play Wednesday night. The decorations were the senior colors of purple and yellow bunting. Miss Zola McGuire and Miss Grace Allen served frappe during the evening.

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Progress Club—

The Progress club held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Earl Madsen last Tuesday. The topic for study was "New York City." The plan of work of this club for the year is outlined in a printed calendar and includes the study of Home Nursing and Geographical Survey in connection with the National Geographical Magazine.

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Birthday Party—

A birthday party in honor of the birthdays of Ole Thompson and his little daughter, Laurene, was held at the Thompson home near Goodell last Wednesday evening. Mr. Thompson was 33 and his daughter 5. A very enjoyable evening was spent by neighbors, friends and relatives in games and amusements, refreshments being served. The two celebrators received numerous presents, and a collection was taken up and presented to them. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hanson, Miss Mary Tomson and Otis Nelson were guests from Belmond.

Bridge Club—

Mrs. N. B. Schooler entertained the Bridge club last Thursday, evening. Light refreshments were served. This club is sometimes called the Neighborhood club.

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Delphian Society—

This description of the Delphian society was written by one of its members to show the plan and scope of the work. The Delphian society is a national organization, instituted to stimulate interest along educational and cultural lines in America.

The course takes up the following general topics: Egyptian, Babylonia and Hebrew Literature, Greek Mythology and Drama, History of Rome, Medieval Stories, History of Music, Renaissance, Story of the Drama, Nature Study, English History, History of Art, Modern Fiction, and American History, Art and Literature.

A set of books consisting of ten volumes, provides for the study of these subjects and year books, outlining the course for several years, are furnished the chapters. Monthly outlines are sent to the members to enable them to study the course systematically.

The society is fast gaining a foothold in Iowa, many towns thruout the state having chapters, and new ones are constantly being organized.

The Belmond Delphian chapter was started in March, 1919, by Miss McKenzie, there being ten charter members. At their first meeting the following officers were elected: Mrs. A. E. Chamberlain, president; Mrs. J. H. Edge, vice-president; and Mrs. Herman Schultz, secretary and treasurer. At that time it was voted to hold meetings twice a month, on the first and third Tuesdays, but the time of meeting has since been changed to alternate Monday evenings.

The members have all taken an active interest in the work and find the study very profitable. Two new members have been added to the chapter. A cordial invitation is extended to all visiting members.

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D. S. S. Club—

The D. S. S. club met with Mrs. Otto Hanson last Monday night. This was the first meeting since last spring, but the club will hold meetings during the coming months, the meeting night being every other Monday. Light refreshments were served. Miss Agnes Eggleston was the guest of the evening. The next meeting will be with Miss Alma Greenfield. The D. S. S. girls have about $50 left from their war-time Comfort Kit fund, and this money they desire to devote toward a memorial for the Belmond men who died in the service. The Independent thoroly endorses the movement, and will be most glad to lend any assistance that it can. The club's idea is a memorial of some kind that would be placed in the city park and that would be completed in time for dedication next Memorial day, May 30. The Independent will be glad to have the ideas of other clubs and societies in Belmond, and suggests that this is a subject which the Chamber of Commerce should promptly take up and help to carry thru. Other towns are erecting such memorials, and surely the Belmond boys who gave their lives are deserving of equal consideration. Let everybody get behind this movement and push, and give the Belmond heroes a memorial that will be in keeping with the spirit of the town.

LYRIC THEATER, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27.

Anita Stewart in a drama of stage life, "Mind the Paint Girl."

She was just a poor birl who worked to help her mother make a living. But one day in the park a man irted. Two men came to her rescue, an army officer and a theatrical agent. She got a chance to go on the stage and made a wonderful success. The world was at her fet, and she had scores of sweethearts, including a lord. Whom would you marry? Do you think you would agree with the choice of this girl?

The Lyric management has booked the First National pictures, considered the best made. Belmond people will remember Charlie Chaplin in "Shoulder Arms," "A Dog's Life," and "Sunny Side," and Mary Pickford in "Daddy Longlegs,' all First National pictures.

The Last Time.

Samples of the Independent have been sent to everybody we could think of who would be interested in a Belmond paper. The response has been most gratifying. But after this week the sample list will be cut down somewhat, as under the postal laws a publisher is not permitted to send but a certain per cent of samples by second class postage rates, consequently if you want the Independent to visit you every week a subscription will be necessary. Remember, this is the last time. If you want a real home newspaper, subscribe for the Independent.

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Belmond Local News

Fred Veeder has been on the sick list the past week.

—I—

Will Parker was a visitor recently with friends at LeMars, Iowa.

—I—

Ralph Blank of Dows, visited his sister, Mrs. Quandt, last week.

—I—

J. A. Adams made a business trip to Austin, Minnesota, last week Monday.

—I—

O. G. Tracy was a caller at Clarion Saturday, visiting friends in that city.

—I—

Mrs. Ted Townsan was a visitor at Klemme last week, returning Thursday.

—I—

Miss Nell Sullivan left Thursday for Dows, where she is teaching music.

—I—

R. E. Lee Aldrich of Rowan, was a caller last Tuesday with friends in Belmond.

—I—

Mrs. Albert Herletz of Wisconsin, a friend of Mrs. C. L. Groh, is visiting at the Groh home this week.

—I—

Mrs. Thayer and Mrs. Werts visited in Mason City on Tuesday, the soldiers home-coming day.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Lund of South Dakota, have moved into rooms in the John Lieuwein house.

—I—

Mrs. C. C. McGuire and daughter, Loretta, were Mason City callers last week Thursday.

—I—

Mrs. Bess Missman of Klemme, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ely.

—I—

Chas. Reese of Milwaukee, Wisc., has been visiting old friends and relatives in Belmond the past week.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nolte, residing east of Goodell, are the proud parents of a new eight pound baby girl, who arrived last week Wednesday morning.

Dr. A. W. Russell was a visitor at Fort Dodge last Thursday, attending a veternarian convention.

—I—

Mrs. D. C. Abel and Mrs. O. R. Hanson were Mason City callers last Monday, doing some shopping.

—I—

Charles Peterson and family of Hampton, were Sunday visitors with relatives and friends in Belmond.

—I—

Martin Lewis and Chas. Gealow went to Minnesota last week to look at land, with a view of purchasing.

—I—

Oliver Busick has been quite ill at the hospital with typhoid fever, but at last reports was getting along nicely.

—I—

Elsie Lee returned Saturday from Fort Dodge, where she has been visiting her brother, Boyd, and his wife.

—I—

Miss Lottie Wallace of Goldfield, will spend the winter in Belmond with her brother, T. B. Wallace, the jeweler.

—I—

Thos. Manuel, clerk in the Elite cafe, was called to his home in Chicago by the serious illness of a brother.

—I—

Mrs. John Groh of Minneapolis, is making an extended visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh in Belmond.

—I—

Mrs. Snyder attended the Rebekah lodge at Clarion last Thursday evening and gave a report of the Ames assembly.

—I—

Friends of John Rule of New Salem, South Dakota, will be glad to hear that he is improving after his recent illness.

—I—

G. F. Cutler and wife from Clarion, and Mrs. Merrill and daughter Lucia from Alden, Iowa, were visitors at the W. J. Morse home Friday.

—I—

Floyd Dibble, who had his foot injured some time ago by a heavy piece of iron falling on it, suffered the removal of a piece of the bone from one toe last Wednesday.

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Dan Quinn came down fr... Dakota to see his wife, who ... in the hospital here for some t... covering from an operation.

—I—

Miss Hazel Hembd left for ... City last week, where she is spend... a week visiting her brother Harold ... who is attending college there.

—I—

Clarence Hildebrand left Thursday for Iowa City, where he attended the big home coming and also the football game between Iowa City and Ames.

—I—

Miss Edna Smith and Mrs. Adna Church of Klemme, were visitors here last Wednesday evening, attending the play, "Comus," given at the school auditorium.

—I—

Wm. Voiles was a Des Moines caller recently, returning last Tuesday. He was in that city on business connected with the nursery company which he represents.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wiegand left Saturday for Cedar Rapids, where they will make their future home. Ray will will be employed in a packing house at that city.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Hanson, one of the new young married couples, have started housekeeping in their new home on the Simon Simerson farm west of Belmond.

—I—

Fred Dryden, a former resident of Belmond some 34 years ago, died recently at Walla Walla, Wash. He was a son of Duss Dryden and a half brother of the late Wm. Werts.

—I—

Mrs. C. G. Pritchard of Buffalo Center, has been visiting friends and relatives in Belmond before leaving for California, where she will spend the winter. Mr. Pritchard left a week ago Friday, driving his car overland.

—I—

A good magazine makes an ideal Christmas present—and it is not too early to be ordering it. Do your shopping early, and do it at a reasonable price with the R. A. ankins Magazine Agency. tf

Belmond Local News

Ernest Haupt was a visitor last Thursday at Olaf.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill were Mason City callers last week ...ednesday.

—I—

Cal Thomas of Goodell, was a visitor in Belmond last week Friday.

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Miss Ursula Lathrop was visiting at ...the Ed. Lathrop home last week.

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...Mrs. Will Eimbrink was a guest last Friday ...nesday at the C. L. Smith home.

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o o o o ... Fitts was a caller at Garner o ... dnesday on business matters.

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of that basket soc... of the telephone Victrola? Prices $25 ...usiness trip to Drug Co. ...nesday.

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Andrew lived with his parents on the home farm until he entered the railroad service in which he continued regular until he enlisted in the army. He left Rowan on November 24, 1917, and served with Co. H, 1st Minnesota Infantry until November 7, 1918, when he was sent to Camp Cody, New Mexico. Then he was transferred to Co. H, 135th, for men who had served overseas. He was made a corporal. He left Camp Cody with the 259 th Pioneer Infantry (Provost of War Escort) nearly every man in which had served overseas. Before leaving Camp Cody, Oct. 22, 1918, he was stationed at Camp Dodge, Iowa, only 75 miles from home that he was permitted to visit his parents. While there he was stationed at Camp Dodge, Iowa, only 75 miles from home that he was permitted to visit his parents. While there he was stationed at Camp Dodge, Iowa, only 75 miles from home that he was permitted to visit his parents. While there he was stationed at Camp Dodge, Iowa, only 75 miles from home that he was permitted to visit out of his army clothing and was sent to Camp Dodge, Iowa, only 75 miles from home that he was permitted to visit his parents. While there he was stationed at

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County Correspondence

ALEXANDER

I have a prospective buyer for a 240 or 320 acre farm. Terms must be right. Oscar Hensel, agent, Alexander, Iowa.

Basketball Game.

The basketball game given Friday evening was great, the High School boys vs. Scrubs of the town. The Scrubs won, the score being 21 to 27. The line-up was as follows:

High School.

Forwards—Geo. Modderman, Theo. Nelson.
Center—Charles McDonald.
Guards—Marion Jensen, Joe Pals.
Sub—Leonard Arends.

Scrubs.

Forwards—B. Kinseth, F. Dunn.
Center—P. Sheirbon.
Guards—Ted Beenen, Herbert Mallory.
Sub—Herman Pals.

The Scrubs showed wonderful ability along this line of athletics. The first ball caught was by Mallory, who became excited and started to make a dash thru the lines, running with the ball (thinking he was playing football). Sheirbon started a tackle with Kinseth, not thinking which side had the ball. It took him some time before he could see what he was doing. Beenen rather liked to watch the balls go over his head, altho, if he thought he could hit one he would try, causing an applause from the spectators. Pals made a good showing by not having tennis shoes, as a substitute he wore overshoes, but he got there just the same. This has been the best game of the season.

Fred Dunn accompanied Jack Kew, Jack Hill, and Ellis Markham to Hampton Wednesday. The boys are trying to get passports to England. They expect to sail about December 6.

Mrs. Lloyd Green, Carrie Peters and Mr. McDonald attended a Sunday school convention at Webster City Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Osie Lauderdahl of Hampton, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. H. A. Peters.

Lewis Green and family autoed to Hampton Saturday evening to see the play, "Twin Beds."

Mrs. Livermore of Latimer, spent a few days the past week visiting with her daughter Mrs. Geo. Clay.

Miss Theresa Mors, Mrs. Margaret Wuttke spent Saturday shopping in Hampton, Mrs. Wuttke remaining for the show in the evening.

Miss Marjorie Flynn of Belmond, visited Saturday with her sister, Mrs. L. S. Reed.

Miss Mae Christensen, who has been clerking at Iowa Falls, returned home Monday. Mae will spend the winter at home keeping house for her father.

Grover Arends and Reynold Kinseth spent Sunday visiting with friends at Iowa Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Foughty and daughter Wilma, spent Sunday with the King family at Latimer.

B. K. Kinseth, Frank Bohlen, Grover Arends, and Reynold Kinseth attended the dance at Belmond Tuesday night. All report a good time and fine music.

Merle Hansen and Reganal Kinseth spent Wednesday at Mason City enjoying the big day for Cerro Gordo county.

The proceeds taken in at the box social amounted to $35.

The following were the guests at Mr. and Mrs. Scott Meyers' home Tuesday evening: Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kliene-felter, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Reed and Mrs. C. Miller.

Miss Maude Gordon entertained the teachers Tuesday evening at the W. F. Dunn home. The evening was spent in playing cards.

Clifford Hansen left Tuesday night for Chicago, expecting to visit around and see what the city looks like.

Geo. Dunn spent several days last week at Council Bluffs, being called there by a friend, who wished him to help get a passoprt to England.

Miss Florence Messleheiser is visiting this week with friends and relatives at Iowa Falls.

Lloyd Green was transacting business, also visiting relatives in Hampton last Saturday.

School Notes.

Marion Jensen is in school again, after a week's absence husking corn.

Miss Marie Schaefer has not been tardy for a period of two weeks.

Miss Georgia McCallum is seriously thinking about taking private lessons in basketball. It is rumored that Charles McDonald will be her coach.

We have been momentarily expecting the plumbers during the past five weeks to return and complete their job. Evidently they are expecting to travel via the M. & St. L.

One evening last week one of our maiden bus drivers came very near precipitating her load of humanity into a ditch by nearly driving off the bridge. An investigation the next day brought out the fact that she was at the time admiring the photograph of the only boy in the world. While we disdain from interfering with romance, yet we would suggest that she refrain from such enchantment until she drives into the barn lot at home, where bridges and grader ditches will not interfere.

Parents have you seen your son's or daughter's report card? They should reach you every six weeks.

Miss Maude Gordon entertained the Young Women's Bible Study class last Tuesday evening. Those who enjoyed Miss Gordon's hospitality were the Misses Gartz, Hendrickson, Mars, Nordmeir, Mrs. Wuttke and Mr. Ray Richards. The topic discussed was, "The kings and queens of the ancient world."

The grade pupils are progressing nicely with the Thanksgiving program to be given Tuesday evening, Nov. 25.

School closes next Wednesday evening for the Thanksgiving avcation, Thursday and Friday.

A large crowd attended the box social at the high school auditorium last Friday night. The proceeds go to the athletic association.

Miss Florence Nordmeir attended religious services at Belmond last Tuesday evening.

School is progressing nicely. Everybody seems to be interested. Even a few of the old bachelors are enrolling in the night school, or perhaps more properly speaking, are taking private lessons,

Theodore Nelson is absent from school this week. We understand that he is superintending a team and wagon in the corn field.

Walter Smith will act the part of Miles Standish at the program next Tuesday evening. However, in real life Walter has been much more fortunate than his historical counterpart.

Miss Oolah Hendrickson, our efficient primary teacher, will spend Thanksgiving vacation at her home in Thompson, Iowa.

A rest room has been furnished at the south end of the lower hall way. A teachers' library will be installed later.

Jack Stout, while playing Wednesday afternoon, fell and broke his collar bone.

The Alexander high school has a bustler in the person of Chas. McDonald. On Friday evening he played basketball until 9 o'clock, ate supper until 11, was on the road to the McCallum home until 12, retired for the night at the Jess Latham home at 1 o'clock. Saturday morning arose at 4, husked 86 bushels of corn by 3 o'clock, then hauled three ton of coal and was back home in Alexander by 6 o'clock Saturday evening and assisted one of the local business men until midnight.

OLAF

Miss Frances Andrews was an over-Sunday visitor in Hampton.

Mrs. Henry Lun spent Tuesday in Kanawha, between trains.

Beet harvest has been delayed a great deal by the cold weather.

Marie Windecker and Frances Anderson spent Friday in Belmond.

Mr Snider of Rowan, has been acting as engineer at the beet dump.

Geo. Thompson is the possessor of a new Dodge car.

Sheriff Fisher was in our midst Wednesday and Thursday on official business.

Tom Lee, who has been on the sick list for some time, is now convalescent.

A number from here were courting in larion Monday.

G. Daubert and family, Mr. Lein's family for farming beets, finished their work and moved to Wisconsin last week.

Mrs. G. Halverson expects to go to Minneapolis soon to consult physicians.

Gus Gunderson is helping Henry Lein pick corn.

The Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. Ole Scott last Wednesday. All present had a very nice time. The ladies are planning on doing considerable work this next year.

The fine new barn which is being built on the Chas. aBxter farm, is nearing completion.

Herschel Johnson fell and hurt his hand quite severely, but is doing nicely now.

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DON'T FEEL THANKFUL.

Many a man—and woman, too—insists there's "nothing to be thankful for" in his—or her—life. And these thankless ones are not all near the bottom; they are not all poor, lonely, sorrow-laden. Indeed, you'll find more who "have nothing to be thankful for" in the middle walks of life than elsewhere, good, honest folk who have met with a measure of success, a taste of reverse, and quite a few unrealized dreams. Probably it is because of the dreams that they feel so thankless.

They hoped for too much. Their air castles were too magnificent, too airy, and too feebly supported by energy and will power. But because they hoped for much, gained little, they are come to this Thanksgiving time with "nothing to be thankful for."

Of course they err. The living human being has much to be thankful for. He has life, the greatest thing on earth, to be thankful for. The man who wants it has a job, another thing to be thankful for. He has a family, children, a home, an appetite for food, the church, the school, books, why, man alive! we could go on for the length and breadth of this page setting down things for which we, you, and all of us can—AND SHOULD—be thankful.

If you can't see it that way; if to you your life appears minus reasons for thankfulness, go out into the highways and byways of the world and see the human beings who have less than you—and be thankful. That is one sure way of acquiring one's own share of that thankful spirit. It can not fail. Don't, we beg of you, attempt to instill thankfulness into your heart and mind by turning your eyes upon those who have more than you—better health, greater wealth, more power. Those who gaze too steadily upon the larger possessions of others are those who chorus: "We have nothing to be thankful for."

NEW STOCK FARM

Rainbow Stock Farm to Raise Spotted Poland Chinas

E. T. Clark of Lebanon, Indiana, moved his family to Franklin county last week, and will be associated with Sherwood A. Clock in the stock and farm business on the Clock farm near Geneva. Mr. Clark, who is an expert breeder of Spotted Poland China swine, will have charge of the farm, and he expects to make it one of the noted pure bred stock farms in this section.

Mr. Clock purchased the farm last fall from L. B. Appleby, and it is located just a mile west of Geneva. The farm has been named the Rainbow Stock Farm, as it will be located on the new Rainbow Highway, which will run from St. Louis north thru Hampton and on northwest. Mr. Clark brot with him in his herd of Spotted Poland Chinas, a fine boar weighing 1,000 pounds.

No Place for a Lady.

At a southern entertainment a magician was edifying his audience by his ability to read thru solid substances. Holding up a heavy horse blanket, he said: "Now, ladies and gentlemen, I can see right thru this extra weight blanket."

Up rose an old colored mammy and marched down the aisle.

"Lawdy," she exclaimed, "dis ain't no place for a decent colored lady in a calico dress."

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BELMOND, IOWA

Belmond Local News

Ernest Haupt was a visitor last Thursday at Olaf.

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Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill were Mason City callers last week ednesday.

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Cal Thomas of Goodell, was a visitor in Belmond last week Friday.

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Miss Ursula Lathrop was visiting at the Ed. Lathrop home last week.

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Mrs. Will Eimbrink was a guest last Wednesday at the C. L. Smith home.

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C. O. Fitts was a caller at Garner last Wednesday on business matters.

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The Yakel family have moved into the Frank Christie house in east Belmond.

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David Luick is suffering from a badly sprained wrist, the result of a balky Ford.

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T. A. Davenport of the telephone company made a business trip to Mason City last Wednesday.

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Miss Amy Thayer was a Mason City visitor last week Tuesday, attending the home coming celebration at that place.

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Mrs. Wm. Galliger accompanied Miss Georgia Frohling to Rochester, Minn., last Monday to consult specialists.

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Earl Haupt is visiting relatives in Sandwich, Illinois, leaving for that place last week. He will remain about a month.

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Mr. Nuehring is recovering from a broken ankle. He suffered the accident while working on a tile ditch machine.

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Miss Ruth Simerson has returned from a visit to her sister, Miss Florence, who is teaching in Northfield, Minnesota.

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Geo. Peterson of Story City, was in Belmond last Wednesday. George is traveling for the Times Square Auto company of Des Moines.

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Mrs. Henry Eimbrink and son Louis, Mrs. A. J. Traeger and children, were visitors last Sunday at the Will Eimbrink home near Goodell.

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Mrs. L. R. Huntington is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Jackson, at Vermillion, S. D. She will remain until after the Christmas holidays.

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Mrs. James Thayer and Mrs. Werts were callers at Mason City last Tuesday, attending the celebration staged in that city for the service men of Mason City.

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Halvor Rierson moved from his farm last week to his residence in town. He recently held a closing out sale of his farming goods, and expects to take up the position of night watch this winter in Belmond.

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Mrs. Sarah Zook moved to town lastweek and is at present keeping house at her mother's home, Mrs. A. Bohning, but will go to Colorado for the winter and stay with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Clark, Weldona, Colorado.

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Frank Moews drove his father's car thru to Springfield, Illinois, last week Thursday. He was accompanied by George Mortimer, Eddie Rierson, and Thos. Manuel. The Moews family will move to Springfield this winter, making their future home in that locality.

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Wm. Starnes arrived home last week Monday night on the midnight train, having received his discharge from the service. He was in overseas service, and had two operations during his time in the army. He was in the last bunch to go from Belmond, and is the last one to return.

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E. V. Parris of Burlington, North Dakota, was in town last week a few days, meeting old time friends. Mr. Parris resided in Belmond about 35 years ago, and knew many of the first settlers. He has been visiting a sister at Dumont, Iowa, and will return home soon. He is engaged in farming.

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Mrs. Verdilla Hill spent a few days at the home of her niece, Mrs. Will Eimbrink, last week. Mrs. Hill came from Hollywood, California, and is on her way to rBooklyn, New York. She arrived here last Monday, going to Hampton Wednesday for a short visit with relatives before proceeding east.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lathrop drove to Mason City Tuesday to do shopping. It happened to be Sailors and Soldiers Home Coming Day and Mrs. Lathrop had an interesting visit with her brother, Albert Christie, who has been in service in France for a year and a half.

SCHOOL NOTES

School Calendar

Dec. 1—Lecture course. James T. Nichols.

Dec. 5—Basketball. Dows at Dows.

Dec. 12—Basketball. Garner at Garner. Boys and girls.

Dec. 21—Basketball. Goldfield at Goldfield. Boys and girls.

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There are fifty-three tiny tots enrolled in our kindergarten as ocmpared to twenty-eight in Hamptno. Our city is certainly growing in population. All the little people who were 5 years of age at the opening of school, are allowed to attend the full time but those who were not quite 5, attend only a half day.

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Several pupils in the grades have been transferred by Supt. Fyler. Some were promoted to a higher grade and others were required to try lower class work. These pupils have all been given a fair trial and the changes were made to give each child a fair chance. Should the parents not understand the reasons for the changes made, the superintendent will be glad to talk the matter voer at any time.

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Among the new pupils recently enrolled are Appalonia, Katherine, Nicholas and Andrew Frank; Evelyn, Ruby, Norah and Violet Dybdahl, and Katie Yakel. Several other families will send pupils this week. Some of these pupils present a problem that we have never had to meet before in the school, that of training children to speak and read the American language. Doubtless we shall enroll many more foreign speaking children during the coming months and some provision will be made to give them the best possible opportunity to become Americanized.

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The following are the out-of--town and tuition pupils in the Belmond high school. The list proves that the local school is one of the best, and its superior educational facilities are recognized by the patrons: Lelah Brooks, Viola Hood, Vida Jenison, Bessie Quigley, Agnes Reed, Lena Steenblock, Shirley Thompson, Mildred Wendell, Lyle Jenison, Wava Jennison, Margarite Leonard, Nellie Murphy, Glen Morris, Gilda Nelson, Leona Rierson, Preston Tyrrell, Leo Barry, Harvey Chapman, Ammon Davenport, Gladys Dziewanowski, Dale Jenison, Vere Jenison, Leona Ludkte, Chester Melvin, Bernice Murphy, Grace Quigley, Leona Reed, Lois Reed, Alice Stockwell, Iris Studebaker, Ruth Tiara, Ethel Thompson, Wilma Thompson, Wm. Veeder, and Carol Tyrrell. Goodell sends the following pupils: Veronica Finn, Dorothy O'Krueg, Alma Ruka, Cloe Thomas and Raphael Kernen.

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THE LAW OF GRAVITY.

(Written by Marcella Leavy in Fourth Grade Language.

Once there was a little boy named Sir Isaac Newton. He was very interested in things around him. One sunny afternoon he was lying under an apple tree. The apples were falling and he wondered why they didn't fall up instead of down. So he studied about this and found that there is a power that holds everything to the earth. So there is a law that "everything that goes up must come down."

In the movies Friday there was a ship going to the Hawaian Islands. There was a man on it that was seasick. He was holding his handkerchief over his mouth and coughing. The title of the picture was, "Opposes the Law of Gravity. Everything that goes down must come up." It was a joke on him, but he didn't think so.

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FROM O. D. TO CIVIES.

Written by Ruth Ramsay, Fourth Grade.

In Carlston & Skovlin's store there is a very attractive window. It contains several different articles from the World War. In the window also there are two suits, one a suit of olive drab and the other a civilian suit and between them there is a card on which is written, "From O. D. to Civies," meaning from olive drab to civilian clothes. Among other relices there are two German helmets, a German periscope, which is an instrument one can look through standing in a trench and see the field beyond; two German belts on which were the words, "Gott Mitt Uns." There were also a pair of French shoes, a vase made from a shell, a French Bible, a trench knife, a U. S. bugle, a mess kit and cover, a gas mask and several shells of different sizes. This made a very instructive collection.

SCHOOL PLAY.

"Love Virtue, She Alone Is Free."

Such was the theme of the play, "Comus," given by the pupils of the English department, in charge of Miss Hammond. Although the style of the play was somewhat different from those given in the past, the parts were well taken and each character given an intelligent interpretation. The peculiar arrangements of the lines and the long monologues, made the play difficult of presentation, but those of the audience who recognized these facts, appreciated the ability of the actors and the thorough training they had received.

Special costumes were ordered from a Chicago costume firm and added much to the beauty of the play.

The part of "Comus" was taken by Howard Luick and represented a magician disguised as a shepherd, who had a potion which changed the human countenance into some brutish form. The heads were those of wild beasts, a mouse, a tiger, a wolf and lions, while the bodies remained those of men. These heads were immense realistic masks obtained from the costume house and added a note of humor to the scene.

Miss Clara Johnson, robed as a spirit, recited the prologue with fine understanding and dramatic effect. Miss Johnson also took the part of Thyrsis.

Carol Tyrrell, Mildred Veeder, Preston Tyrrell and Lee Lowenberg also acted leading parts.

Between the acts Miss Margaret Reu charmed the audience by her interpretative dances, entitled, "Moonlight Dance," " Torch Dance," and "Poppy Dance."

At the close of the entertainment Carol Tyrrell, in a sincere, girlish little speech, presented a beautiful bouquet of chrysanthemums to Miss Hammond and Miss Reu.

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NEW COMMERCIAL DEPT.

The work of the new commercial department is now well organized and its students are on their way to become our future business men and women. This is the first year that such a course has been offered in our school and it will doubtless prove one of the most popular courses in the future. It is not advised that a student take this course in preference to the regular high school course unless he has no intention of entering college work. The organization of the classes was somewhat handicapped when school first opened by the fact that no qualified teacher had been secured. But later the school board was successful in hiring Miss Grace Eastman as head of the department. Miss Eastman is a Belmond girl who graduated from the local high school and also from the Central Iowa Business college in Marshalltown. She has had seven years experience in practical business life, of which six years were spent in an insurance office, one and one-half years in government work in Washington, D. C., and six months at Camp Dodge in war work.

The course offered consists of typewriting, shorthand and bookkeeping. Commercial law will doubtless be offered in the future.

The work in bookkeeping can be finished in one year, while that in shorthand and typewriting requires two years for completion. The work will be conducted in the same manner as it is presented at college and a graduate of either course should have an expert knowledge of the subjects. In fact, there is an opportunity to do better work than at college, because more time can do devoted to study and, as the classes are small, the instructor can give more individual aid. This department is open to junior and senior pupils only and one credit is given for each course. Arrangements may also be made in the future whereby any young person not attending school may take the courses by paying a small tuition.

The Gregg shorthand and the touch typewriting are the systems taught. Remington visible typewriters with blank keys are the machines used. the school board provides a cheap grade of practice paper and charges a small fee for the same. A considerable amount of paper is used as a given exercise in typewriting must meet the following requirements before it is accepted by the instructor; ten copies of the given exercise, one of which must be perfect and only three mistakes are allowed on the other nine copies.

The students enrolled in each course follows:

Shorthand and Typewriting—Anna Mae Aldrich, Marvyl Robinson, Olive Butts.

Bookkeeping—Mae McNamara, Ray Hawley, Myrtle Hawley, Anna Mae Aldrich, Marvyl Robinson, Olive Butts, Wm. Chase, Bert Trumbull, Laura Maitland, Archie Rierson.

CHURCH NOTES.

St. Francis Church.
Rev. M. T. Eardley, Pastor.

Services Sunday next: High mass at 10:30. Evening devotions at 7:30. Instructions for the children Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Services in St. Mary's, Goodell, at 9 o'clock a. m. Sunday. Special Thanksgiving services in St. Francis chapel at 8:30 Thursday morning.

Methodist Episccopal Church.

We have now entered into our special evangelistic services. Our desire is that we might through these meetings, quicken the spiritual life of those who are christians and win for Christ and the christian life those who are not. There will be meetings in the church each night, excepting Saturday. Services begin at 7:30. Miss Randall is in charge of the music and there will be special numbers each night.

Wednesday night will be Sunday school night, when we hope every member of the Sunday school will be present. Help to make your class one hundred per cent present Wednesday night. Thursday and Friday nights Rev. R. L. Stuart of Humboldt, will preach. Thursday will be Family Night, and instead of the customary Union Thanksgiving service, we invite all to unite with us in this service. How many families of Belmond and vicinity will be one hundred per cent present at this service? Rev. Stuart will preach the sermon. Friday night is Epworth League and Young People's night. Rev. Stuart has a splendid message for you. He is a very forceful speaker and you cannot afford to miss his messages.

Services for Sunday: Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth League devotional meeting and study class at 6:30 p. m. A welcome awaits any and all who attend any of these services. Your Christ and your church need you.

The Sands Memorial Church.
Rev. Henry F. Horton, Pastor.

The Thanksgiving service this year will be held in the Methodist church on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The sermon will be preached by Rev. R. L. Stuart of Humboldt. This service will be in the nature of a family night service, and it is hoped that the Congregational people will turn out in large numbers.

In the giving of thanks for God's blessings and benefits in the past, and in the aspirations for world wide peace and brotherhood, churches of all kinds will unite in obeying the decree.

The following will be the services for Sunday, November 30th, 1919: Rev. S. U. Leinbach will preach both morning and evening.

10:30. Morning service and sermon.

11:30. Sunday school, Arthur C. Hinman, Supt.

7:30. Evening service and sermon.

A most cordial invitation is extended to all to attend the services of this church. Strangers and visitors are always assured a warm welcome. Here let no man be a stranger.

Trinity Lutheran Church.
Rev. Jensen, Pastor.

Midweek service will be held at the home of Ole Thompson at the usual hour Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Thanksgiving day a thanksgiving service will be conducted in the church at 7:30 in the evening. This service will be conducted in the English language.

Next Sunday the Sunday school meets as usual at 10:00 o'clock. We want all to be there and on time. The Sunday school will have a Christmas program.

The pastoral conference of the Eagle Grove circuit of the Lutheran church met for a two days' session in the Trinity church Nov. 17-18. This circuit has 14 pastors, 11 being present. Discussions were given on practical themes relative to the work of the pastor. Rev. Wigdahl of Badger, and Rev. Madson of Bode, preached sermons in English to the congregation Tuesday evening, Rev. Trelstad of Kanawha, preached a sermon in the Norwegian language Wednesday evening.

Norwegian service at St. Olaf Sunday morning, Nov. 30. An offering will be received for the purpose as stated in a former service. English service in the evening at 7:30.

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Oyster Stew
Roast Turkey—Dressing
Roast Beef. Roast Pork.
Cranberry Jell
Mashed Potatoes—Brown Gravy
Fried Parsnips—Waldorf Salad
Parkerhouse Rolls.
Apple, Mince, Pumpkin Pie
Ice Cream.
Tea. Coffee. Milk.

Big K. C. Initiation at Eagle Grove.

The K. C. lodge at Eagle Grove held a big initiation and banquet for forty-one new candidates Sunday, among tht candidates being four from Belmond, Leo. R. Kenefick, Jos. L. Graham, Leland Finn and Earl Finn. The initiation began at 3:00 and lasted until 10:00 o'clock p. m., after which the banquet was served. The boys from here report a very fine time, except that Leo says he will take his punishment henceforth at Cantigny. Rev. Father Eardley delivered the address, and a reading was given by Miss Gladys Barry.

BELMOND LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Farmer of Clarion, were guests of relatives here Sunday.

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Mrs. Chris Sorenson has been on the sick list for the past three weeks with an attack of pleurisy.

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Henry Pletch visited his parents here over Sunday. He is employed by a grain firm at Algona.

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Miss Leola Smith of Klemme, came down Saturday to have some dental work done. She was accompanied by her sister.

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Rev. Trelstad of the Lutheran church six miles south of Kanawha, was in town Monday, accompanied by a confirmation class of eight girls enroute by auto for Eagle Grove.

KANAWHA

Miss Ella Smith, who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. C. H. Waddell, left last Thursday for her home at Otho, Iowa.

Harold Rierson of Belmond, visited in Kanawha between trains Saturday.

Robert Hovland drove over to Eagle Grove in his Ford Saturday to meet his wife, who had been visiting relatives in Nowlin, S. Dakota.

John D. Welch and family went to Mason City Sunday to spend the winter with their son Orville, who is working in a grocery store there.

Glenn Raber, who was operated on for appendicitis in the Judd hospital, is improving nicely, and will soon be able to be around again.

Pete Eliason from out near Olaf, went to Minneapolis Monday to take some minor treatments in a hospital there.

S. S. Taude received a telegram from Minnesota stating that his father was very ill. Not getting the message in time to take any trains, Mr. Taude had to drive his Ford a distance of 130 miles.

The Ole Theobaldi Concert Co. is the next number on the lecture course. Mr. Theobaldi needs no introduction in this vicinity, as he has been here once before. People who have heard the noted violinist would go fifty miles to get another chance to hear him.

Read Wolle's ad.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—One Ford Touring car and one Overland 90. Nordschow Motor Co., Belmond.

FOR SALE—A regulation hard maple single bowling alley in Belmond. Doing good business. Will sell right. James Kenefick, Belmond, Iowa.

FOR SALE—Ford car, Model 14, in good shape, with tires and engine in first-class order. Joe Anderson, Belmond, Iowa.

FOR SALE—Riverside air-duct soft coal heater, medium size, guaranteed in good condition. Reasonable price. Guy Baker, Belmond.

FOR SALE—Good level building lot in most desirable part of town, one block from school, on pavement. Chester Buchanan.

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UNITED MANUFACTURING CO. MAKING RAPID PROGRESS

EXPECT TO BE IN OPERATION BEFORE FIRST OF JANUARY —MANY ORDERS WAITING.

The United Manufacturing Company, Belmond's new industry, is making very good progress towards organization and in getting their new building, located on the Rock Island tracks,, completed ready for occupancy.

The new building being erected is 60x80 feet, one story in height, with 14 foot walls, and of hollow clay tile and concrete construction. It will have a plentiful supply of windows, making the workrooms as light as day and furnishing ideal working conditions. For the present it will be heated by stoves,, but a permanent system of heating by either steam or hot water will be installed later. Mr. Wege, one of the firm, states that in about three days the building will be sufficiently completed for them to move in and begin erecting their machinery, and that 10 days more will see the inside finishing completed.

The company plans to have their machinery all set and ready for operation by Christmas. They have orders on hand now for 11 shingle mills, about 100,000 steel fence opsts, and many orders for their various other machines. Dealers and jobbers the country over have been lined up, and inquiries from dealers in several foreign countries have been received regarding shipments of machines, concrete mixers and repair parts for machines already placed. Many of the inquiries are from dealers and jobbers who have handled the company's line of machinery for 18 years.

Mr. Wege states that the outlook is very bright, and that everything points to a highly successful business ahead for the company. The foundry people will be here within a few days and doubtless work will be started at once on that, altho they may be given part of the United Manufacturing company's building for the present so that they can begin operation. A meeting will be held soon to discuss general business plans, and election of officers will take place about January 1. The new company is very confident that the future will see the business making a fine success, and are highly enthusiastic over the prospects.

MARRIAGES.

Roelfsma—Bomgardner.

Last Tuesday evening Mrs. Roelfsma was united in the bonds of matrimony to Mr. Martin Bomgardner of Kanawha, Iowa. The bridegroom was most unlucky, having lived in Hancock county, and getting his license there also did not think it impossible to be married in Franklin county, but such was his fate. So by having Rev. Schaefer accompany them they decided to go to Kanawha in a car. As they got about seven miles from their destination, an axle broke and they had to be pulled into Kanawha, where they were married. But for all his trouble, Mr. Bomgardner is a highly respected gentleman, deserving of a wife like Mrs. Bomgardner. The best wishes of the community and friends go with the happy couple.—Alexander Correspondent to the Independent.

Asbe-Kalvig.

On Thursday, November 27, 1919, occurred the wedding of Elmer Kalvig and Elma Asbe at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Kalvig, Jr. The ceremony took place at high noon in the presence of thirty-five relatives. Rev. Trelstad officiated.

The bride and groom were attended by Holger Kalvig of Belmond and Miss Enga Kalvig of Rowan.

After the ceremony a two course dinner was served. The table was richly decorated in flowers of pink and white.

The newly weds left for Belmond and other points where they will visit relatives and friends.

Both bride and groom are well known in this vicinity. The bride being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Asbe of Norway township, was born and reared to womanhood here, and is a lady of pleasing personalities. She will make a help meet indeed for the man of her choice.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Kalvig of Belmond. Elmer has been a resident of this city for a number of years and is a most excellent and pleasing young man of good qualities and good habits. He entered the service of the U. S. July 22, 1918, serving in the infantry. He spent four and one-half months in France and ever since his discharge he has made Kanawha his home.

We bespeak a bright future for this estimable couple and wish them every joy and happiness that life will bring them.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kalvig will be home to their many friends after December 1st.

The Independent joins their many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes.

Enge-Johnson.

Miss Aletta Johnson was united in marriage on November 27 to Alvin Enge at Forest City. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Johnson, was a student in the local high school, and of Waldorf college at Forest City. She taught in Norway and Belmond township schools during the past three years. Mr. Enge has been farming in Norway township, where he owns a farm, and the young couple expect to move onto the farm next spring. For the present they will reside at Kanawha. The Independent joins the large circle of the happy couple's friends in offering congratulations and best wishes.

OLD FOLKS DANCE THANKSGIVING EVE GRAND SUCCESS

Large Crowd Attends and Has Fine Time—One Hundred and Thirty-Seven Tickets Sold.

Just as was to be expected, the Old Folks' dance held in the opera house Thanksgiving evening was a great success, and furnished amusement by the bushels. The hall was crowded with spectators and dancers, all kinds, classes and nationalities of folks being present. The crowd was so large that half the dancing floor was filled with onlookers, limiting the dancers to a few square feet of floor surface.

Nihoof's orchestra furnished thez jazz for ancient feet to tap to, and they went to it in great shape, putting the younger generation to shame in going thru the old-fashioned dances. Square dances, old-time waltzes, reels, and jigs were the order, and the way some of the old bucks skipped to M'loo was a revelation. Some of the older residents who hadn't put one foot behind the other for thirty years, were hopping around as spry as sparrows, while most of the young folks were wondering where to go. Particularly in the Firemen's dance, with its calls of "the outside there and the inside here," had them so muddled that they didn't know exactly where they were, and in the square dances they were as mixed up as a dish of sphagetti.

The clog dance contest was up to expectations, and Mike Barry, R. J. Lee and Jack Finn were the contestants for the briar pipe offered as a prize for the best clogger, and the gentlemen staged an exhibition of foot work that would have done credit to men far younger in years. The judges, W. C. Tyrrell, Elmer Kinney and Rufe Morse were unable to decide between Barry and Dempsey, and awarded a prize to each, Mr. Dempsey getting the pipe and a can of the weed to fill it, and a box of candy went to Mr. Barry.

One hundred and thirty-seven dance tickets were sold, and sixty-six spectators' tickets, ladies being free. It was a very enjoyable affair, as those who witnessed the first one in the fall were certain it would be, and was a huge success from start to finish. Such affairs should be held thruout the winter months, for they furnish the older generation a chance to enjoy themselves in the dances they know and the younger generation with a chance to learn the old dances, besides the entertainment they furnish everybody who attends, good clean amusement of the right kind. Let the old timers stage similar affairs during the winter; they will receive hearty support from everyone.

THE STRANGER WITHIN OUR GATES

The Public Rest Room has been closed, and it is understood that the city hall will likewise be closed for an indefinite time because of the fuel shortage.

What is the stranger going to do in Belmond? Where is he, or she—mostly the ladies, for they are the ones who need a place to rest between trains—going to stay? It may have been the wise thing to do to close the rest room, on the whole, if the fuel situation is as serious as it is made out to be. It was the best thing, but some other arrangements should be made to care for those who have visited the rest room. The records show that during the past eight months 1160 have registered. Last month alone, a winter month, 140 registered.

This month—where are the 140 going to go this month? It would seem that Belmond should have a room in some building which will remain heated that would serve as a rest room. For Belmond needs a rest room. We are no longer a little village; and while not a city, we are nevertheless large enough to support a place for strangers to go while passing thru. Where are they going to go? And if there is no place to go, what kind of a name are they going to give Belmond's hospitality? Can Belmond afford to be without a rest room? Can we afford to have out-of-town people hang around the depot waiting rooms all day, or half the night, because the town has no other place for them to go?

Close the rest room, if the case calls for such measures, but provide something to take its place. For a rest room is needed during the winter more than it is in the summer.

BELMOND BOY GETS BIG INCREASE IN SALARY

Gerald Tracy Making Good at Sisseton, South Dakota.

Gerald Tracy, a former Belmond boy now doing agriculture work in South Dakota, has recently been given a raise in salary which speaks volumes for the young man's ability. Gerald is doing club work for the Security Bank of Sisseton, South Dak., and has been given an increase of $900 a year in salary, with a car and all expenses thrown in for good measure. His work is along the agriculture line, the same as that of which Prof. Scarbro is head, only Gerald is working for a bank instead of for the state. Prof. Scarbro made the statement during his recent visit here that there was no better judge of hogs in the eastern part of South Dakota than Gerald, and his knowledge of the stock business may perhaps be testified to by a sale of surplus pigs which his club workers held recently at Sisseton. Seventy-three pigs were sold for a total of over $5000. Belmond folks will rejoice in his unqualified success, and will join with the Independent in congratulating him on his recent increase in salary. The Independent will endeavor to secure from Gerald at a later date an article dealing with his work.

MORE HOUSES STARTED.

Belmond Home Building Company Begins Two New Dwellings.

Two more houses have been started by the Belmond Home Building company. The Belmond Lumber company have the contract for one house, to be erected just south of the one now in course of construction on the lots just south of W. H. Wolle, and E. Bock has the contract for the other dwelling to be erected just east of the present house. Excavation on the Belmond Lumber company's house has been completed and has started on the E. Bock house. Both new houses are to have furnace heat, water and electric lights.

Rest Room Closed.

Miss Grace Boughton, who has charge of the rest room, has been advised by Mrs. Bailey, chairman of the rest room committee of the Community club, that the room is to be closed Dec. 1. Miss Boughton reports that the number of names registered since the opening in April is 116 0 .The number during the month of November is 140 of which 45 were out-of-town people.

This report would indicate that the rest room is much appreciated by the women of our community and the traveling public.

Red Cross Total $520.

The complete report of the recent Red Cross drive for members for the present year shows a total of $520 memberships fees and $2 for subscriptions to the Red Cross Magazine.

The Belmond Independent office is headquarters for high class job printing. Everything new.

DISTRICT COURT ADJOURNS; JUDGE GOES TO FORT DODGE

Norman Nelson Draws $100 Fine For Larceny at Olaf Depot.

(From Clarion Monitor)

The October term of court is now a matter of history, Judge Wright having returned to Fort Dodge to look after matters concerning his own family in the Webster county district court.

The following cases are the more important ones not as yet reported:

Upon advice of his attorney Norman Nelson entered a plea of guilty to the charge of larceny and was fined $100. He was concerned in the recent episode at the Olaf depot.

In our report of the Ryan-O'Brien case last week an error was made in saying the jury acquitted Frank Ryan. It should have been Ed. Ryan.

In connection with the Ryan-O'Brien attempted jail delivery Clyde Munson plead guilty to having had a part in the affair. In fact he admitted having given O'Brien the saws with which to cut his way to freedom. He is now serving a three months' sentence in the county jail and is to pay a fine of $200. In case he does not pay the fine sixty days will be added to his sentence.

The jury settled the dispute between the Greek candy kitchen men by awarding the plaintiff a verdict for $377.40.

The State Savings bank of Galt has been awarded judgment against John and Ray Lalor in the sum of $159.77. The former has since taken advantage of the bankruptcy law.

A judgment was rendered against Chas. Toppings and in favor of the Jewell Farmers' elevator in the sum of $366.12.

In the case of John Johnson of unsound mind, Roy Woodley has been appointed guardian.

Several minor cases were dismissed by plaintiff to the suit and small judgments entered in others.

Given 20 Days Sentence.

Ben VanZandt was given a 20 days sentence in the county jail by Mayor Barry at a trial held Tuesday afternoon in the city hall. VanZandt was charged with offensive conduct. He is a floater, address unknown, and was recently discharged from the service.

New Masonic Officers.

King Solomon Lodge No. 210, A. F. and A. M., held their annual election of officers last Monday night, Dec. 1. The following members were elected to the respective offices:

Cato C. Greisy, W. M.
E. L. Madsen, S. W.
T. A. Townsan, J. W.
E. A. Ely, Treasurer.
C. R. Townsan, Secretary.

Appointive Officers.

C. R. Hildebrand, S. D.
H. Groen, J. D.
W. B. Schooler, S. S.
B. F. Fetrow, J. S.
Peter Stacy, Tyler.

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THE AMERICAN LEGION HOLDS SPLENDID MEETING WEDNESDAY

AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP FIGHT THE WHITE PLAGUE

The Annual Red Cross Christmas Seal Sale Began Monday, December 1st.

This is a national movement, and has been meeting with great success for the past few years. Fifteen years of organized effort against tuberculosis has resulted in the annual saving of 62,000 lives. Much of this has been financed and made possible by the sale of seals. According to statistics 150,000 lives are lost annually from tuberculosis in Ameria. This is about three times the number of American soldiers killed on the battlefields of France.

The seals may be used on packages, backs of letters, etc. They are used also on Christmas packages in place of the ordinary Christmas seal. The proceeds of the seal sale will be used for the prevention and treatment of tuberculosis. A per centage of the proceeds will be held for approved anti-tuberculosis work in each district. If no anti-tuberculosis work is under way in the territory,, 100 per cent of the net proceeds is to be returned to the State Association. If the gross sale is less than three seals per capita 50 per cent of proceeds is returned to State association. If gross sale equals or exceeds three seals per capita, 45 per cent goes to association, and so on, according to per capita sale.

A new plan is being used this year: the association has issued Health Bonds in denominations of $5, $10, $25, $50 and $100. They are similar in size and appearance to a Victory Bond, and have coupons, which indicate the various purposes for which the proceeds of sales will be used. The bonds are intended to be sold to those who cannot or do not care to use the seals, but desire to give to a worthy cause. The local chairman has received bonds of $5, $25 and $50 denomination for sale in this territory. Twenty thousand seals have been sent here also for sale in this jurisdiction. Seals have been placed on sale in many of the business places in Belmond. The price is one cent each. The seals are a Christmas greeting in themselves and point the way to the success of a great life saving organization.

OBITUARY.

Andrew Walin.

Andrew Walin died at his home in West Belmond at 9:00 o'clock Sunday evening, death being due to rheumatism, from which he had been a sufferer for many years, being bedridden for several years. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock from Trinity church, the Rev. Jensen officiating.

Andrew Walin was born in Sweden on Sept. 11, 1840, and was 79 years of age at his death. He came to America 40 years ago, and had been a resident of Belmond for 17 years. He leaves a wife,, but no children, to mourn his death. The sympathy of the community goes out to Mrs. Walin in her loss.

To Reopen Church.

The members of the German Lutheran church are making preparations for the roopening of the church and the holding of regular services therein. Mrs. Chris Friesleben, Mrs. Dan Wenzel and Mrs. F. W. Pletch were selected as a committee to solicit funds from the members for the necessary repairs on the parsonage.

These ladies also went to Alexander last week Monday on a similar errand and met with a ready response among the Lutheran members at that place. The pastor will supply both the Belmond and Alexander charges, but will reside here. The parsonage will be papered and painted and a new garage will be built and everything be put in readiness for the new pastor, Rev. Welke and family, who will arrive here soon from Madison, South Dakota. The first church service will be held at 10:30 a. m. on December 14. He will be installed by the Rev. Carl Ganshow of Des Moines.

ELECT OFFICERS AND ENJOY SOME GOOD CHOW—MUCH INTEREST DISPLAYED

With about thirty ex-service men present the local post of the American Legion held an enthusiastic meeting last Wednesday evening in the library basement. C. M. Morse as temporary chairman, took charge of the meeting, and after the election of officers Leo Kenefick presided.

The following officers were elected:

Post Commander—Leo R. Kenefick.
Vice-Post Commander—C. R. Townsan.
Post Adjutant—C. C. Benson.
Finance Officer—C. M. Morse.
Post Historian—Adolph Skovlin.

The officers of the post will meet this week to study out a constitution and by-laws, which will be presented to the members at a future meeting for consideration. The local post will be known as Eimbrink Post No. 35, Iowa Branch of the American Legion,, and starts out with 45 members. The post was named in honor of Harvey Eimbrink, the first man from Belmond to die in the great war.

A good feed of sandwiches and coffee was enjoyed, and a few wild and wooly war tales told. The post, having just organized, has not yet given much thought to future plans, but the members composing it are a live bunch of young men and Belmond may expect great things from the Eimbrink post.

[Editor's Note—Thru an error the name of Andrew Koppernagle was left off the names of service men in the first issue of the Independent. Andrew was one of Belmond's volunteers and the Independent is glad to correct the mistake and place his name on the list.]

COUNTY POULTRY SHOW.

Following is a list of the premiums to be awarded at the Wright county poultry show to be held at Eagle Grove December 17, 18 and 19:

Singles.

1st premium, $1.00 and blue ribbon.
2nd premium, 75c and red ribbon.
3rd premium, 50c and white ribbon.
4th premium, 25c and green ribbon.

Less Than Six Entries in Class.

1st premium, 75c and blue ribbon.
2nd premium, 50c and red ribbon.
3rd premium, 25c and white ribbon.
4th premium, green ribbon.

Pens—Three or More Entries in Class

1st premium, $2.00 and blue ribbon.
2nd premium, $1.00 and red ribbon.
3rd premium, 50c and white ribbon.
4th premium, green ribbon.

Less Than Three Entries in Class.

1st premium, $1.00 and blue ribbon.
2nd premium, 50c and red ribbon.

Handsome satin finished silver embossed ribbons will be awarded.

Entry fees: 35 cents for single birds; $1.00 for pens, which includes coop rent.

Grand Specials.

The association offers $7.50 in cash for best pen in the American class.

The association offers $7.50 in cash for best pen in the English class.

The association offers $7.50 in cash for the best pen in the Asiatic class.

The association offers $7.50 in cash for best pen in the Mediterranean class.

$3.50 cash for sweepstake cock.
$3.50 cash for sweepstake hen.
$3.50 cash for sweepstake cockerel.
$3.50 cash for sweepstake cockerel.
$3.50 cash for sweepstake pullet.

Best in the show, all varieties competing—

For best pair ducks, geese, turkeys, rabbits, pigeons or pheasants of any variety, $1.00.

Second best pair, 50c.

For best dozen white eggs, $1.00.

For second best dozen white eggs, 50c.

For best dozen brown eggs, $1.00.

For second best dozen brown eggs, 50c.

Uniform cooping will be furnished and it is desired that as many fanciers as possible will send chicks to the exhibition Belmond chicken breeders are urged to send exhibits. It is hoped to have five hundred birds at the show.

Write L. E. Wilson, Secretary, Eagle Grove.

Farm News Page

SHEEP THE MOST PAYING OF ALL FARM ANIMALS

Their Care, Feeding and Handling—A Local Farmer's Viewpoint.

(By M. H. Luick, Jr.)

I think that sheep are the most paying animal that the farmer can have on the farm, as they eat weeds and sprouts and keep down most foul weeds. I would not be without a good of ewes on my farm. A good bunch of ewes make money.

I would advise having each field fenced, so that when the crops are harvested the sheep can be turned in and clean up the weeds. The corn field is a splendid place for them if there are grass or weeds to be cleaned up, such as morning glories and green cockleburs or most any foul weed.

Sheep should have a fresh pasture every year if possible. A very good way is to sow rape in the oat fields and corn fields.

In securing lambs for late summer feeding I would prefer the western lambs. They are more free from disease and they run more of an even grade. Lambs weighing from 45 to 55 pounds are most desirable. I think lambs showing a little Merino blood are more hardier, make better gains, and are freer from loss. Lambs should be handled carefully when first brought to the farm.

A good timothy or blue grass pasture is very good feed for them to start on. Clover is good feed but should not be fed until they have a good fill of timothy or blue grass. Free access to salt should not be permitted. I would suggest taking a pail of salt and scatter it out across the pasture by dropping a small handful in a place.

In feeding lambs in the corn field give them free access to it after they are used to the pasture and surroundings. They should have pure water, accessible at all times. I think rape sown in the corn at the time of the last cultivation furnishes most acceptable roughage at a minimum cost.

I find that the stomach worm is the worst disease sheep are bothered with. This can easily be prevented by changing pasture every two weeks. If sheep are running on the same pasture they should have tobacco dust or stems placed wher they can have access to it at all times.

Foot rot is another disease which can be prevented by keeping the sheep in dry lots or pastures. Dipping sheep once or twice a year is a very good idea as it kills ticks and cures scab. I think the worst pest we have is the dog. If every sheep raiser would kill his own dog and advise his neighbors to do the same, there would be a good deal more mutton to be sold over the block.

Newspapers Offer Best Medium For Farm Advertising.

Public sales of farm equipment and produce are already being announced throughout Iowa in large numbers, and that calls attention to an interesting change in the advertising of these sales. Only a few years ago the main reliance of the farmer in advertising a sale was the "bill" or poster; now he puts most reliance in space in his local country newspapers.

"This change is a change for greater efficiency in advertising," says the agricultural journalism department at Iowa State College which conducts a course in agricultural advertising.

"When you consider the number of farmers reached, the newspaper advertisement is much the cheaper. Two hundred sale bills, 12 by 18 inches, which is the customary number and size, cost about $5 to $6, on the average. They get good posting in part only; for the remainder, they are not seen by many men.

"The county seat newspaper charges about 20 cents an inch for space and a quarter or one-third page ad will therefore cost from $8 to $12 or so. The "ad" will be read in 1,000 farm homes. The sale bills will not be read by more than 200 or 300 folks. Moreover, the newspaper "ad" will be read when the farmer is at leisure, and it will be read more thoroughly.

"Then, too, the newspaper "ad" reaches out farther and brings in the extra buyers whose presence at a sale make it a real success. Wherever farmers have carefully watched their sale advertising they are strong in their indorsement of newspaper space.

FOR SALE—A regulation hard maple single bowling alley in Belmond. Doing good business. Will sell right. James Kenefick, Belmond, Iowa.

FOR SALE—Ford car, Model 14, in good shape, with tires and engine in first-class order. Joe Anderson, Belmond, Iowa.

NORTH IOWA CORN, GRAIN AND POULTRY SHOW.

The largest exhibit of farm products ever stated in Iowa is to be held in Mason City Dec. 15, 16 and 17. What promises to be one of the largest Corn and Grain Shows ever held in the state is to be staged at the Mason City armory on Dec. 15, 16 and 17, in connection with the annual exhibit of the Upper Iowa Poultry association.

For years it has been the desire of the farmers interested in the improvement of corn and grain to put on an exhibit somewhere it would really represent the best northern Iowa's products. The culmination of this idea came at the time of the county agents' meeting in Mason City during November, when ten agents agreed to co-operate in putting on this show.

$1,000 in cash prizes has been set aside for premiums in the corn and grain districts.

The show territory has been divided into three districts. Winnebago, Worth, Mitchell and Howard comprise District No. 1 and will compete in classes for single 10 ear and 30 ear samples of both white and yellow corn. District No. 2 comprises the counties of Hancock, Cerro Gordo, and Cloyd, and classes similar to those in District No. 1. Wright, Franklin, and Butler counties make up District No. 3, having the same classes mentioned for No. 1. An open class is provided for corn other thas white or yellow, open to competition from all counties.

Special classes for amateurs have been made for Cerro Gordo and Floyd counties. There is also a class for rural schools of Cerro Gordo county.

The grain show is an open show, competition being among all counties in the show territory. Classes in this are provided for a peck of white oats, oats other than white, barley, and soy beans, as well as a class for early and late potatoes.

The show is being managed by a Board of Directors consisting of the county agents from each of the above mentioned counties, any of whom can give you information on the show, and will be glad to fursish you with premium lists. A program is being arranged for each day. These programs will consist of one day given over to the ladies, one day to a general farm program, and one day to the poultry work.

The poultry exhibit promises to be one of the real features of the show. The exhibits in former years have been one of the strongest in Iowa and a special effort is being made to make this an especially high-class exhibit. The poultry show will be in the same building. Judges of international reputation have been selected for all districts.

FOR SALE—Have a few choice Poland China boars left at $60.00 for first choice; some at $40.00. Eligible to registry. Preston Tyrrell. 3-3w

FOR SALE—Good Jersey milk cow for sale. Weight about 1100. J. P. Courtney. 3-2t

The renter and small money man's paradise. See Wolle.

FARM BUREAU PLANS DRIVE FOR MEMBERS

Big Campaign Will Be Held During Week of December 8-13.

Plans to launch an aggressive membership campaign were made at a meeting of the directors of the Wright County Farm bureau, held recently. The drive will be held during the week of December 8-13.

Sixteen men will be sent to Wright county by the Iowa State Federation of Farm bureau. They will conduct a drive that will reach every farmer in the county.

One of the sixteen men will be stationed in each township. With the assistance of the farm bureau director from each township and eight farmers, they will call on every farmer in each township and explain the work and purposes of the farm bureau.

On Monday, December 8, all farm bureau directors and their assistants are to meet with the sixteen organizers from the state federation at a booster banquet in Clarion to receive final instructions in conducting the campaign.

Expect Great Results.

At the meeting of the directors, everyone agreed that he would do his part to put Wright county near the top in the state. It is expected that the membership of the organization will be tripled at least as a result of the campaign.

Membership drives in other counties have been wonderfully successful. More than 10,000 farmers have joined the farm bureaus in the last month, as indicated by the following figures: Hardin county, 1,200; Butler county, 1,300; Floyd county, 1,200; Fayette county, 1,600; Buchanan county, 1200; Story county, 1300; Linn county, 1100; Benton county, 2000.

Following are some of the reasons why every progressive farmer should join the bureau.

The Farm bureau affords:

First—Membership in an ever increasing state federation of the county farm bureaus of Iowa, (members now number 50,000.)

Second—Membership in a national association of the federated bureaus of the states, plans having been completed and the national association launched at Chicago Nov. 12th and 13th. Mr. J. R. Howard of Iowa being elected president. (Farm Bureau members in the United States in excess of 1,000,000.)

Fourth—Membership is a non-political and non-sectarian association which have for their prime and only purpose the organization of the farmers of the United farmers of the United States for the advancement of the farming business without destroying the present existing associated business and organizations which are to be considered necessary and lawful. To aim at making the business of farming better and surer, being free from uncertain and unsteady markets with selling prices governed by a profitable cost of production scale.

Fifth—Protection against undesirable stock salesmen who are peddling "blue-sky." Warning and cautious are potential, the spirit of sound investment cannot be ruined for the healthy development of our state and nation all hinge upon it. The federatios is certain that sound investments are an excellent way of saving money, and making money, but they must be sound investments, investments such as government and municipal bonds, bonds of strosg industrial concerns, farm mortgages, farm mortgage bonds, stocks of commercial organization whose assets and management are unquestioned.

Disposal of Dead Animals.

A new law was passed by the 1919 legislature relating to the disposal of dead animals within the state. There are three ways provided by this law in which dead stock can be disposed of, viz: Burning, burying or having same rendered by a licensed company.

In case the dead bodies are to be buried, they shall be placed at such a depth that no part of such body shall be nearer than four feet to the natural surface of the ground, and every part of such carcass shall be covered with quicklime and by at least four feet of earth.

In case of burning the carcass, the place for such burning shall be so located, constructed and arranged as to cause no annoyance to any of the citizens of this state by such burning.

All such parts as are not consumed by such burning shall be disposed of by burying, as above provided.

All cases of animals dying of disease or accident shall be disposed of in the manner above provided within twenty-four hours after death.

We want a correspondent in every town and village in this part of the county. We want to give our readers all the local happenings. Help us by doing your bit. Send for material.

Listen, Farmers!

The corn is husked and the harness hangs idle. Throw one in the sleigh and bring it in to have it oiled and repaired during the quiet winter months, thus avoiding the rush in the early spring.

REMEMBER

Also that we have

A Complete Line of Everything the Horse Needs For the Winter Months

Jones Harness Company

BELMOND, IOWA

FARMERS

HAVE A RIGHT TO THE COST OF PRODUCTION

Only about twice in the past forty years has the price of farm products brought the cost of production. Take away from the farmers of the middle west the money made in the rise of farm lands and they have worked for nothing.

The long hours of labor; the work of women and children; the work without wages or return on capital invested have made it possible for farmers to pay for their farms

ORGANIZATION

On the part of the farmers is their only salvation from peasantry and slavery. Many think the farm is only a fit place to raise cheap food. We believe the farmer has the same right to returns on the capital invested as has a bank or factory. We believe the farmer has the same right to a decent wage for his labor as the same service would bring in the factory.

FARMERS

THIS SNOW MEANS

THAT the wagon and buggy must be laid aside for the next 3 months. Let us show you our line of

SLEDS AND CUTTERS

We have a complete line, and we also have

Corn Shellers, Tank Heaters,
Hog Waterers and Feeders.

We handle Oils, Greases, Gasoline and Kerosene. We have one International Motor Truck which we will sell at a big discount.

Come in and see our store. You are alwys welcome, whether you trade or not. Make our store your headquarters while in town.

RISE & FURUSETH

Phone 85 Dealers in Implements

THIS ORGANIZATION NEEDS YOU!

The Iowa Farm Bureau Federation and the Wright County Farm Bureau need your support. The week BEGINNING DECEMBER 8th, you will be asked to help with this great business. You will be given an opportunity for the first time to join hands with all the Farmers of Iowa and other states in perfecting an organization so strong that they will receive justice.

WRIGHT COUNTY FARM BUREAU

Member of Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

You will be as well pleased

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you do your buisness with

WOLLE

I WISH

That I had dealt with

WOLLE

and bought

LAND AND INSURANCE

30 DAY SPECIAL

With every 40 acres or more you buy we furnish one cow. Build house and barn for you. $1000 or more goes with us. We are the only company doing this. Let us show you the land.

WOLLE LAND COMPANY

BELMOND, IOWA

About Honesty

Directed particularly to those who think that the telephone operator sometimes "fibs" when she says "the line is busy." To begin with it is easier for her to give you the desired connection than to put you off with the "busy" report. Then, too, the subscriber who gets this "busy" report is not disposed of; he renews his call in a few minutes.

The report "the line is busy" does not necessarily mean that the man you want is using his telephone. It may mean that we are trying to reach him sor some one else, who called before you did. If he is on a party or rural line it may mean that one of the other parties is using the line.

Belmond Telephone Co.

Belmond, Iowa

MID-SEASON SPECIAL

Ladies' Coats

On account of our inability to fill in sizes, we are making a special price on our stock of Ladies' Coats now on hand. We still have a very good assortment, and can make it an object to you to make your purchase at the present time.

All Ladies' Coats Worth up to $18.50—SALE PRICE $14.98

All Ladies' Coats worth up to $27.50—SALE PRICE $20.98

All Ladies' Coats worth up to $33.50—SALE PRICE $25.98

All Ladies' Coats worth up to $38.00—SALE PRICE $30.98

All Ladies' Coats worth up to $50.00—SALE PRICE $40.98

None of above gafments can be replaced.
FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED

W. W. GOETZ

VALVE IN THE HEAD MOTOR CAR

BUICK

When better automobiles are built Buick will build them.

Order your car now for spring delivery and avoid disagreeable delay when you find it practically impossible to do without a car.

M. O. CRAWFORD

BELMOND, IOWA

Notice to Trappers

Don't forget Louis Tokman about your furs. We pay the highest price. See me at Belmond, or ship to Mason City. LOUIS TOKMAN

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Marriage licenses for the past week are as follows: John Pick and Anna Schlader, Tillman Askvig and Rose Borel, Edward Artes and Ella Dahlke. —Clarion Monitor.

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Hon M. C. Barry, mayor of Belmond, was a conspicuous guest, four of our most charming young ladies tried heroically to supply his needs at the banquet table.—Eagle.

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The first number of Belmond's second paper has arrived at our desk. If Belmond wants two newspapers, the Independent gives good evidence of fully satisfying the demand. If the average is up to the merit of the first number it must be granted "a place in the sun." The Eagle welcomes the Independent to its exchange table.—Eagle.

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Coal Shortage Strikes Here.

Our local coal dealers received word from the government officials last Friday not to deliver coal to anyone having a week's supply on hand. This brings home the fact to us that there is a real coal shortage and as the strike settlement is still pending, it may become serious later on.—Kanawha eporter.

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A Red Is a Red.

Alien Reds are being deported. Those who have taken out their citizenship papers are being released when arrested. Why the partiality? A Red is a Red even tho masquerading as an American. Adequate penalties are provided for "American" Reds, altho they do not include deportation. Let them be applied without fear or favor.—Dows Advocate.

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Train Service Change.

Owing to the acute shortage of coal the freight train on this branch has been discontinued and from now on until the strike situation clears up the passenger train will be converted into a mixed train. This will give us very poor train service as it will, mean but one train each way daily and will no doubt be off schedule a good share of the time, as the one crew will have to the work of two. We should not complain as this program is being carried out all over the United States and will help greatly in conserving the coal. The new order became effective the first of the week.—Kanawha Reporter.

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Another Bid For Power.

Bill McAdoo is out with another bid for the presidential nomination on the democratic ticket. He takes the trouble to get into print again by declaring that the coal mine owners have made a tremendous profit, and that they ought to share some of it with the minres. That sounds good to the unsuspecting, but why not say that a coal miner who is getting from $8 to $10, and even more per day, is getting enough, and that the price of coal to the consumer should COME DOWN if the profit to the mine owner is too high? Let's drive the high cost of living down—not up again. The democratic administration have played into the hands of the radical labor unions since they have been in power in Washington, and as a result the common people, the farmers and residents of the smaller towns in Iowa and like states have had to foot the bill.—Hampton Chronicle.

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Warming Up.

State and national politics are getting their entries all groomed and ready for the big race of 1920. Already in state politics several hats are in the ring. Nate Kendall of Albia, and Ernest Moore of Cedar Rapids, have made public their announcements as candidate for governor and Attorney General Havner has also intimated that he will be listed as an entry. Everything is quiet in the 3rd district congressional race. We met A. M. Cloud of Manchester last week and he was rather of the opinion that he would not make another attempt. However he was still undecided. Whether the Hon. Burton E. Sweet will be a candidate for re-election is still unknown. His announcement one way or the other is looked for any time. It is a little early yet for county politics to open up, but even at this date we hear of once in a while an aspirant out for some office. A lively county campaign is looked for next year. In the city election next spring the entire set of offices from mayor down will be up to the voters. This is still quiet. It might be well for every voter to be on the alert from now on as there will be many vital issues brought out in the coming campaign and it will be up to the voter to be well enough informed on these subjects so as to know what the various candidates are pushing forward, It is well to begin early as there will not be nearly the danger in allowing a candidate to "slip something over."—Goldfield Chronicle.

SUGAR BOWL LIKE PROP' IN LEGERDEMAIN

In These Days of Shortage It's on Table One Day; Gone the Next.

Life of the proverbial "houn' dawg" must have been a paradise in comparison to that of the sugar bowls that occasionally grace the tables and counters of local restaurants and cafes.

In former years this receptacle received no more respect than any other article of the "set up" and was never allowed to be emptied more than an inch from the top. Now if you can find one that has an inch of sugar covering the bottom you will be accused of carrying a horse shoe.

There was a time when the sugar spoon had a coating an inch thick caused by dampness and the sticking propensities of sugar, but now it is scraped clean and is always shining, with not a particle of the precious product adhering to its surface.

On One Day; Gone the Next.

When the restauranteur obtains a supply sufficient for a few days, out comes the bowls, polished and dainty, but as soon as the supply dwindles, with no prospect of replenishment, they are gathered up, carefully wrapped and stored away until days of plenty return.

While they are allowed to remain in state on table centers they contain maybe loaf, granulated, pulverized or brown sugar.

If you unthoughtedly reach the second time toward the contents you incur forever the wrath of the proprietor, who keeps a wary eye on every patron during the entire meal to make sure that undue liberties are not taken with the sugar bowl.

Started With War.

When the war began the sugar bowl became famous because of its sudden disappearance. Everything from the ordinary white or yellow envelope to the shiny,, glazed, sanitary paper container was used, the quality usually corresponding with the patronage. Many adopted the use of loaf sugar entirely for table service and placed one lump alongside the cup in the saucer when coffee or tea was served, which usually reached the table in a variety of colors causedd by spilling the contents of the cup in transit.

Waiters and waitresses had to revise their jargon to include a question regarding the wishes of diners as to their preference for sugar and it was a matter of taking your life in your hands to ask for a second sugar lump.

A Tip on Tips.

One waitress recently made the statement that since the scarcity of sugar, tips have been enhanced to an undreamed of dimension. "A surer way to win a gratuity from a diner than all the polished service in the world is to smuggle a sufficient amount of sugar into his coffee to satisfy his taste," she said.

Search warrants would have had to be used in Dubuque last week to have found sugar bowls, and in many instances the sugar itself. All the variegated methods ever devised have been given a trial in order to once more re-instate the "sugars," but unless some alleviation from the present sugar shortage is obtained they bid fair to remain entombed in the archives of history alongside of many other oft-lamented friends, that have had the misfortune to come under the pale of idealists and who will be allowed to live in memory only.

"Please pass the sugar," is a saying obsolete among habitues of dining places now.

Farm Sale Bills.

The public sale bills being printed by the Independent are somewhat different from the usual run of bills put out in this vicinity, and, if comments are any indication of public favor, are being very favorably received.

The Independent's bills list the machinery and household goods in columns instead of all being run together in one paragraph. This style enables the reader to take the whole thing in at a glance, like running the eye down a column of figures, instead of having to wade thru eight or ten long lines of small print, and presents a very neat appearance on the bill.

The bills, while not as large as some, are good catchy sheets with sharp, clear print, and stand out in good shape. All customers served by the Independent in this line have been very well pleased, and the Independent takes considerable pride in this fact and in the originality of its bills.

A good magazine makes an ideal Christmas present—and it is not too early to be ordering it. Do your shopping early, and do it at a reasonable price with the R. A. Rankins Magazine Agency. tf

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BUSINESS PERSONALS

Peter Kaufman left Monday for Chicago with two carloads of cattle which he fed himself. Lee Veeder also left for Chicago at the same time with one car of cattle. The gentlemen went via the M. & St. L.

—I—

W A. Porter is in charge of the Belmond Telephone company's work in laying the underground cable system for telephone wires. Mr. Porter is a new Belmond citizen, he and his family residing in the Frohling house. The gentleman is an expert telephone man, having worked for the Bell system for 20 years. He moved to Belmond last spring, and was working on the paving gang when Mr. Davenport of the local telephone company discovered his trade and immediately employed him. His work with the Bell people kept him away from home so much that he quit and took up other work so as to spend some time at home. He is making Belmond his home, and Belmond welcomes he and his family as citizens.

—I—

The Belmond Telephone company is making an extensive and up-to-date improvement on its city lines by installing an underground cable system for telephone wires. The wires are carried underground in a lead-covered cable, which means the elimination of a thousand or more telephone posts thruout the town. Only one pole will be left in each block. The compapy has all the south part of the city excepting one block completed with underground cable, and will complete the remaining block as soon as weather conditions permit. Mr. Davenport, president of the company, states that they will probably not start on the north part of town until spring, but will then complete the system over the entire city. They have over four thousand dollars worth of material ready to go ahead with the work. Mr. Davenport states that beginning at the corner of the alley at the Belmond Furniture company's store, they laid an underground cable containing 200 pairs of wires to the old Kern house corner, and that on Water street they have a cable laid to and under the M. & St. L. railroad tracks. From that point on they will run a 25 pair cable to the sugar plant. This is a fine improvement, not only for the telephone company, but for the city as well, the elimination of a thousand poles doing much to beautify the streets. The telephone company is to be congratulated on its progressiveness.

—I—

Eggs are 60c per dozen—5c each. One local merchant reports that all customers are limited to one-half dozen and that the sale of 2 or 3 eggs to a customer is quite common. Can anyone remember such a fact before in the history of local trade?

—I—

Now is the time to bring in your storage batteries. Don't wait until they freeze. Winter storage $3.00. Belmond Battery Station, T. A. Townsan.

—I—

Last call for rugs from junk, old carpets, clothing,, sewed rags, etc. Ladies please mail my post cards back before you forget it with your notation written thereon. C. H. Yarham, traveling "Reliable Rug Man."

BELMOND LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Lee of Fort Dodge, were guests last Thursday at the R. J. Lee home. Boyd is now employed in the oat meal factory in Fort Dodge.

—I—

John Groh came down from St. Paul to spend Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh, and his wife, who has been visiting at the Groh home.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Williams spent Thanksgiving at Clear Lake at the home of Mrs. Williams' parents. Mr. Williams returned Thursday evening, Mrs. Williams and daughter remaining until Saturday.

—I—

Miss Matilda Skovlin arrived home from college at Des Moines Thursday for a few days' visit with her mother, Mrs. John Anderson, and her brothers Adolph and Lloyd.

—I—

Mrs. Ben Johnson has been on the sick list the past week suffering from stomach trouble. She has been quite ill and has been confined to her bed, but is reported somewhat better.

—I—

Mrs. John Rule and daughter Genevieve, went to Fort Dodge last Thursday to visit friends. Mrs. Sheffield of that city, a former resident of Belmond, accompanied them to Des Moines, where the ladies shopped.

Belmond Local

S. F. Stout of Rowan, was a Belmond caller last week Friday.

—I—

W. I. Rosecrans was a business caller at Mason City last Friday.

—I—

Miss Marie FFinn of Goodell, went to Mason City to shop last FrFiday.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Collinske of Clear Lake, spent Thanksgiving in Belmond.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Meacham of Titonka, were Thanksgiving visitors in Belmond.

—I—

Seymour Jenison of Ottumwa, was a recent guest at the W. E. Jenison home.

—I—

Mrs. E. L. Warneke of Oelwein, spent Thanksgiving with her mother, Mrs. Will Buchanan.

—I—

Summer Trumbell of Goodell, was a guest at the home of his grandparents last week Thursday.

—I—

John Withers was a guest at the home of his father here recently, on his way to Ackley.

—I—

Galen Johnson went to Chicago Friday where he will attend the International Live Stock show.

—I—

Mrs. H. Jacobson left rFiday for Kenyon, Minnesota, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Shefveland.

—I—

About sixteen friends and relatives enjoyed a big Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hanson.

—I—

Miss Iva Trumbell of Des Moines, spent Thanksgiving at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Trumbell.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ramsay and son Rex, have been visiting the past few days with Belmond friends and relatives.

—I—

Rufus Morse was home from Iowa City, where he is attending college, to spend Thanksgiving with Belmond relatives.

—I—

Mrs. Kate McAlpine returned last Tuesday from Mason City, where she had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. D. Cota.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. B. Mennenga of Mason City, were visiting friends and relatives in Belmond last week,, returning Saturday.

—I—

Francis Richards of Clarion, and Everett Mathis of Ankony, were visitors last week for a few days at the M. F. Christie home.

—I—

It is reported that Matt Sullivan has purchased the Hal Smith residence on FFilbert street at a consideration of $7,250.00.

—I—

L. Collins is adding a new bath room to his residence on South Filbert street, Frank Trowbridge of Minneapolis, having the contract.

—I—

Robert Lee arrived home Thursday night from Newport, R. I., where he has been employed for some time on a naval station construction job.

—I—

Bert Trumbell and Ray Hawley were callers at Garner last Thursday, attending the Clear Lake-Garner football game, which ended in an 0 to 0 score.

—I—

The Misses Shirley and Wilma Thompson returned riday from Fort Dodge, where they spent Thanksgiving at the home of their grandparents.

—I—

LuVerne Smith of Clear Lake, spent Thanksgiving with his grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Brooks. He leaves Dec. 1 for Des Moines, where he will attend the C. C. C. C.

—I—

E. S. Harkrader, superintendent on the Independent, spent Thanksgiving at his home in Galena, Illinois, attending the wedding of his daughter on that day.

—I—

L. Larson, who has been tailoring for T. O. Tomson, left last week for Ottumwa, where he will visit friends, after which he will go to Iowa City for an operation.

—I—

Miss Beatrice Lienbach and Philip McBurney returned last week from Coe college to spend Thanksgiving with Belmond relatives. Dr. McBurney met them at Clarion with his car. They returned Sunday evening the same way.

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There is some agitation among the school students to have the library open nights. They claim that they are unable to get into the library during the present open hours to obtain books of reference required in their studies.

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A BIGGER BELMOND

Everything points to a population in Belmond of 2500 by next summer. The sugar factory will bring in fifty or more families, the new machine shop and foundry will bring in from thirty to fifty new families, and a considerable number are coming in to locate their business here, to make Belmond their home.

Belmond is booming. And Belmond will continue to boom. Its growth is based on good solid, substantial business, not on a will-o'-the-wisp, fake-a-ma-loo mushroom growth. The new industries coming to town are going concerns, tried and tested, with experienced business men at their head. They are based on the best possible foundation, the heart of all business, the demand for their lines of manufacture. The sugar factory will manufacture an article which is used in every household, from hovel to palace; the machine factory will manufacture goods which are used the world over; both lines of goods are in constant demand, which means a continuous market. The new cigar factory, while on a small scale, nevertheless supplies a demand that is constantly being renewed.

Belmond's factories will have an ever increasing market for their wares. And that means that they have a firm foundation for their business, and every prospect for an ever increasing success. Their employees will be permanent residents, making this their home, educating their children in Belmond schools and buying their household supplies from Belmond merchants. It all means a bigger Belmond. New families mean new business for everyone who is in business here. The town must grow, it cannot remain where it is. It must grow not only in a material sense, but in a spiritual one as well. With enlargement must not come degeneration. It is up to the people of Belmond, the old residents, to absorb the new comers into the town life, to melt them into good citizens just as the immigrant is melted into a good American.

And the present industries are not Belmond's limit. More factories will undoubtedly locate here, there are many openings for new industries. In five years, if Belmond keeps going as it has this year, it will be the foremost town in the county. Today it has the most wealth in proportion; in another year it will do the most business regardless of population of any town in Wright Co. Business means growth. The facilities for home life cannot be surpassed by any town around, the educational facilities of the local school are the equal of many towns far larger. The democratic spirit of its citizens assures a cordial welcome to strangers. Belmond has it. It must keep it. Boost always for a bigger Belmond, but boost, too, for a better Belmond.

BEIN' A ED'TOR.

This job of bein' a ed'tor is a complicated proposition, containing some joy and a heap of grief, with a lot of pleasure and a terrible strain on the imagination and temper, together with an unholy amount of work. You bet! Being our first attempt at the job, perhaps we are unduly influenced by present conditions, and the soothing hand of time may smooth the wrinkles from our brow.

You know, after you have spent seven days—Sunday is not a day of rest mentally for ye ed.—getting up a paper, searching the highways and byways for news, ads, and original thoughts, and think you have a pretty fair article on tap, if somebody finds a misplaced letter or pied line in the paper after it's printed, well — Sherman said it. More chances for mistakes exist in a newspaper than in any other business on earth. And no place are they more apt to rile folks up. You have probably heard the story about the item of a wedding, which should have read "the happy couple will reside at the old manse," but which did read "the happy couple will reside at the old man's." And the one about the hostess, that became mixed up with another item, and read "as a hostess it was agreed Mrs. Smith was a hitching post four feet high and two feet thick." It's a great life if you don't weaken.

More people know how to run a newspaper than there are who could regulate the weather better than it's being done—and there never was a person who couldn't do a better job with the weather except the poet Riley. Looks are deceiving; you can't believe much you see, any more than you can believe half you hear. We know a little about running a paper, but we're learning a lot more every day. And if we ever learn it all we'll have Methuselah looking like a New Year picture on the Saturday Evening Post.

CAMP FIRE GIRLS.

Camp Fire is an organized effort to find romance, beauty and adventure in the every day life of the girl who is too old to be a child and too young to be a woman.

All Camp Fire girls' camps are organized under the National Camp of New York City. Each camp can have no less than six members and no more than twenty. Only girls over twelve years of age are eligible to membership. The leader of the camp is called a guardian. She is appointed by the National headquarters. Thru the guardian the girls secure a charter from the National camp and each girl earns and pays her dues and her share of the charter fee. The girls are urged to earn all money used for camp purposes. Each week the girls have a business, study or social meeting and once every month a ceremonial or council meeting is held in ritual form.

Every camp and every member of the camp has a symbol and name. The name of the Belmond Camp Fire Girls' camp is The Saukeena. All symbols and names are of Indian origin. The symbol of membership in the organization is the standing pine. It means symplicity and strength. A symbol is not a common childish thing to be forgotten. It is an ideal, attainment and asperation to become realistic in the future. For instance, a girl decides that always she is going to be pure and clean; the books she reads, the games she plays, the people with whom she associates must be pure and clean. The girl looks for a symbol meaning purity and decides to take the first snow in all its whiteness, the first snow becomes her symbol or aim in life and Na-wa-kah-mo-ka the Indian name of first snow is her name in Camp Fire work.

The navy blue or white middy with the dark skirt or bloomers, is the Camp Fire girls' uniform. The ceremonial gown and head band are to be worn only at council meetings. The motto of all Camp Fire Girls is Work, Health and Love..

After the Saukheena camp wa sorganized in Belmond in October, 1918, it was impossible to have a meeting without several quarrels. Sometimes the quarrel being between two of the girls, but usually as soon as the rest learned a few of the particulars they joined sides making a general camp fight. Little by little the girls have learned to live up to the "Love" of their motto. Now we seldom have an impatient word and for a long time have had no quarrels.

Work is three-fourths of the camp life. Beads are given for the work a girl will do. The more work a girl does the more beads she has, the more honored she is in the camp. The National camp has made a list of things taken from housework, health, handwork, business and patriotism from which the girls choose and work for their honors. The girl's mother signs her name to a sworn statement that her daughter has won by good, honest and successful work her honor. There are three ranks to the Camp Fire work. By good earnest work a girl may fulfill these requirements in three years. A girl whose mother will not work with the camp cannot be a member. The work, study and business of the organization is between mothers and daughters.

The law of the Camp Fire is to—
Seek Beauty,
Give Service,
Pursue Knowledge,
Be Trustworthy,
Hold on to Health,
Glorify Work,
Be Happy.

New Pamphlets at Library.

The following pamphlets have been received at the library and are filled with splendid ideas and plans for social occasions. The pamphlets will not be loaned but may be read at the library and notes taken. The list is: Games and Parties for Home and school, Fair Booths, Announcements and Showers, Children's Parties and Birthday Celebrations.

Belmond Boy Making Good.

Another Belmond boy is making good in the business world. Clair Richardson, formerly of this place, has an excellent position with the Associated Packing Co. of Des Moines as assistant treasurer at an excellent salary and chances for advancement second to none. The firm is constructing the largest packing house in Iowa, a concern the greater part of which is owned by Iowa farmers.

The man who wrote that pretty little poem about Snow, Beautiful Snow saw an Iowa landscape from a Pullman window; he never waded thru it.

The M. & St. L. ought to keep pretty good time this weather; the rails are frozen into the ground.

If nerve was music, some folks would be a band.

SOCIETY NOTES

Card Party—

Miss Mary Barry entertained the 500 club at her home on last Monday. Light refreshments were served.

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Progress Club—

Mrs. C. P. Luick was hostess to the Progress club on Tuesday, Dec. 2. The roll call was a humorous story and the topic for study, 'Practical Dietetics."

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M. E. Aid—

The divisions which are working for the bazaar met at the homes of Mrs. Eaton and Mrs. Lathrop last week. The regular meeting which was to have met Thursday was held in the church Monday of this week.

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Delphian Society—

The regular meeting of the Delphian society was held at the home of Miss Ialeen Flynn last Monday evening. The topic for study was "The Great Men of Athens," and answers to roll call were items of present interest.

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Aid Society—

The German Lutheran Aid society will meet with Mrs. Con Hoppel next Thursday, Dec. 5th. If the roads are not good for auto travel the meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Philip Geitz in town.

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Party—

Carol and William Tyrrell entertained about twenty young people last Saturday evening in honor of Bloom McGregor and Rex Ramsay, both of Des Moines. One delightful feature of the party was a bob-sleigh ride "over the river and through the woods to the beautiful farm home."

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Supper Party—

The Camp Fire Girls gave a supper at the home of Bernates Wolle at 5 o'clock last Saturday evening. There are about thirty members and each girl asked some girl friend who is not a member of a church. Miss Daisy Krapf, who is helping with the M. E. evangelistic services, was also a guest and after the supper gave a talk to the girls.

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Rosary—

The food sale conducted by the Rosary society of St. Francis church was a decided financial success, the receipts being over one hundred dollars. Every article of food was sold almost as soon as it was placed in the hands of the committee. The turkey was sold four times and brought the handsome price of twenty-three dollars.

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Business Girls' Club—

Miss Vivian Pierce of Belmond, was elected as one of the officers at the organization of the Junior Business Girls' club of Mason City, recently. Miss Vivian completed a business course at the Hamilton University of Commerce and is employed as bookkeeper in the Melson Grocery store in Mason City. The club of which she is a member is both educational and recreational.

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Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Christie served a bountiful Thanksgiving dinner to the younger relatives of the family. A delightful afternoon was enjoyed by those present. The guests were Carol, William and David Tyrrell, Harry Webb, Mrs. Edith Reno, Gladys, Luella and Edwin Christie, Arthur Christie Mr. and Mrs. Ira Christie and little daughter Zola, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Christie and baby.

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Epworth League—

"The Challenge of the Cross." This is a sacred play to be given by the young people of the Epworth League in place of the regular evening service at the M. E. church on the date given above. The presentation of the play will be accompanied by a chorus of sacred music with Miss Marjorie Purcell as pianist. Those who will take leading parts are Doris Bailey, Dorothea O'Krueg, Anna Mae Aldrich, Leona Jacobs, Clara Johnson, Wilma Trumbell and Mrs. Joe White.

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Party—

A crowd of young people from Belmond and Clarion were guests at a party given by Miss Hazel Tendahl at the beautiful farm home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tendahl, near Clarion. A delightful evening was spent in music and games and an oyster supper served at the close of the fun. The guests from near Belmond were Nora and Marie Jenison, Anna Finn, Hazel Case, Josephine Swenson, Agnes Kallestad, Lucretia Morse, Jessie Shurson, Blanch Ulstad, Mabel Evans, Neva Coburn, Gladys Swenson, Melvin Hanson, Sidney Swenson, H. L. Berry, Chester Hanson, Geo. Skouge, Oscar Hanson, Will Coburn, Gerhart Thompson, Harry Evans, Elmer Johnson, Melvin Evans, and Oscar Furuseth. Albert Tucker was also a guest from Clarion.

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Reception—

The reception held by the Community club last Friday for the new residents was a very enjoyable affair. About twenty-six members and fourteen visitors were present. Five new members joined the club last month: Mrs. Delaney, Mrs. E. L. Dickinson, Mrs. Geo. Barry, Mrs. M. C. Madsen and Miss Ruth Klemme. The regular meeting of the club is the last Friday of the month and visitors are always cordially welcomed. The December meeting will be held a week earlier on account of the Christmas holiday. This meeting will be a special "giving" time and both members and those interested in giving are requestityed to bring or send some toy, book, or other little gift to help brighten some home in our own locality and to fill some little heart with the Christmas cheer and brightness.

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Community Club—

The following clipping taken from the Times-Republican of Marshalltown, is the report of work done by a local club as published by the State Federation of Women's Clubs:

"The Community Club of Belmond is a vital force in the community life of the town. The pageant committee reports good headway toward the construction of a permanent stage with natural scenery background which is being built in the public park for the annual pageant.

"The club entertains the school teachers each year and gives a children's program for children during the summer. This club recently purchased for the school playground a large slide, a medium slide and an 'ocean wave' at a total expense of $338.50. A rest room is conducted for the public, the club members are urging all families with extra rooms, to open them for the use of people coming to town, and also that all new comers be made welcome in the community. They are planning to plant memorial trees for the 'gold star boys.'"

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A Reminder

This is the Christmas Store for Men

The importance of shopping early can not be emphasized too strongly. Christmas will roll around before you realize it. Remember, gift-buying is no easy task; begin now, it isn't too early. The sooner you get through with it the better.

We have provided the things for a man's Christmas. Things that fit into the fold of a man's desires; things practical and useful; things to wear.

Our name on an article of men's apparel will win favor with men who like quality and goodness, and our label on a gift bespeaks the good judgment of the giver.

We are ready now. Choose early, shop in comfort, avoid the worry, distractions and the rush which attends "eleventh hour" shopping.

Carlston & Skovlin

WINTER IS HERE

Are you prepared for it?
Have you laid in your

COAL?

We have plenty of it to supply your needs. Are your buildings tight and warm? We have the

LUMBER

You need to fix your sheds, barns, hog houses and your own house. ALL KINDS OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

If we haven't what you want, we can soon get it for you, and we guarantee that you will get *"Right Materials at Right Prices."*

Belmond Lumber Co.

M. H. HANSON, Manager

Buy Your Christmas Presents at
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Watches *Silverware*
Clocks *Cut Glass*
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ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice Is Hereby Given, That a plat and schedule have been prepared by the direction of the town council of the incorporated town of Belmond, Iowa, showing the assessments proposed to be made for and on account of the cost of the construction of paving on the following named streets and parts of streets, viz:

Spruce street from the east end of the bridge crossing the Iowa river, thence east to the east line of the right of way of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad company.

Main street from the west end of the bridge crossing the Iowa river, thence west to the east line of Clark street.

Race street from the north line of Main street, thence north to the south line of Washington street.

Filbert street from the north line of Railroad street, thence north to the south line of Lincoln street.

Market street from the north line of Railroad street, thence north to the south line of Lincoln street.

Union street from the north line of Spruce street, thence north to the south line of Greeley street.

Greeley street from the east line of Union street, thence west to the west line of Union street.

All in the incorporated town of Belmond, Iowa, against the privately owned property assessable for said improvement, which assessments have been so made according to law as to include one-half of the privately owned property between the street improved and the next street,, whether such privately owned property abut upon said street or not and against the railway and railroad companies whose tracks are located thereon, the said plat and schedule showing the separate lots and parcels of ground proposed to be assessed for the said improvement, and the names of the owners thereof so far as known and the amount to be assessed against each lot or parcel of ground and each railway and railroad company whose tracks are located thereon, and that said plat and schedule are now on file in the office of the Town Clerk of the incorporated town of Belmond, Iowa, and that within twenty days after the first publication of this notice, all objections to such assessments or to the prior proceedings on account of error, irregularities, or inequalities must be made in writing and filed with the said clerk. Any objections not so made will be deemed waived.

You are further notified that the Town Council of the Incorporated Town of Belmond, Iowa, will meet at the Town Hall on the 29th day of December, 1919,, at 7:30 o'clock P .M. of said day for the purpose of considering said objections and for the purpose of taking final action on said assessment.

Date of first publication, December 3,, 1919. GUY J. BYERS,
Town Clerk.

We want a correspondent in every town and village in this part of the county. We want to give our readers all the local happenings. Help us by doing your bit. Send for material.

FOR SALE—One Ford Touring car and one Overland 90. Nordschow Motor Co., Belmond.

CHURCH NOTES.

Immanuel Reformed Church.
A. H. Waalkes, Pastor.

Regular services next Sunday. The forenoon services conducted in the German language,, commencing at 11:30. Bible school at 9:20. The evening service beginning at 7:30 is conducted in the language of our country, to give those living in our community, not conversant with the German, an opportunity to worship in their language. Thursday evening Young People's meeting. Friday evening Teachers' meeting for the study of the Sunday lesson. On Saturday p. m. at 1 o'clock instruction in the Heidelberg catechism for the younger people and children. Our enrollment has run up to 40 and we hope to increase the number still more. Our doors are open to all.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Our special evangelistic services are continuing this week with good attendance and splendid interest, Rev. W. J. Todd of Algona, preaching for us Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Rev. McCay of Emmetsburg, will come Thursday and preach for us each of the remaining evenings of the week and at both of the services next Sunday, Dec. 7th. All services next Sunday at the usual hours: Sunday school at 10 a. m. and preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Rev. McCay preaching at both services. Epworth League devotional meeting at 6:30 p. m..

As followers of Christ let's give Him our best, be regular in our attendance at the services, pray much for the success of His work, and labor persistingly to bring others to Him. Your Christ and Your Church Need You!

Trinity Lutheran Church.
Rev. Jensen, Pastor.

The Ladies' Aid meets in basement of the church Thursday afternoon, Dec. 4. Visitors welcome.

Thursday evening The Brotherhood meets in the basement of the church. We would like to see all members present.

Sunday school next Sunday morning at the usual hour, 10 o'clock.

Services next Sunday morning and evening will be conducted in the English language—11:00 and 7:80.

Notice to Lot Owners.

As the season of caring for lots in the Belmond cemetery has closed, we are requesting that those who have not paid for care of lots and anyone who knows themselves to be indebted to the Cemetery association, will you please call and settle at the State Bank or with the secretary, Mrs. A. C. Lieuwein. The Cemetery association is under heavy expense in keeping the cemetery in creditable shape, and we hope that anyone interested will give this their immediate attention.

NOTICE.

On account of the coal shortage the office of the Town Clerk has been removed to the State Bank of Belmond. Those wishing to ascertain the amount of their paving assessment may find plat and schedule at above named bank.

3-2t GUY BYERS, Clerk.

PUBLIC SALE

As I intend to move to town I will have a closing out Public Sale at my farm 5 miles southeast of Belmond, 5 miles south and west of Alexander, and 5 miles north of Rowan, on

FRIDAY DEC. 5

Commencing at 1:00 o'clock sharp, the following described property:

3 HEAD HORSES

weighing from 2800 to 2900. One mule colt

6 HEAD MILK COWS

one fresh. Six calves.

35 HEAD OF HOGS 35

THREE BOARS

FARM MACHINERY

One Russell 12-24 gasoline or kerosene tractor, good as new.

1 DeLaval cream separator,
1 Sure Hatch incubator,
2 brooders,
1 corn harvester
2 box wagons,
1 McCormick mower.
2 discs,
1000 bushels corn in crib.
Numerous other articles.

Terms of Sale: All sums of $10 and less, cash. Over that amount 12 months time will be given on approved security at 8 per cent interest per annum. All property to be settled for on date of sale.

T. D. RANKINS, Auct.
C. O. FITTS, Clerk

D. H. HAKE, Prop

Belmond Local News

Otto Hanson has been quite sick the past few days.

—I—

R. E. Lee Aldrich of Rowan, was a caller here Monday.

—I—

Miss Callihan visited friends at Sabula, Iowa, last week.

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Merle Hildebrand visited friends in Winona, Minn., last week.

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.M J. Thoe was a recent Lake Mills visitor, driving up in his car.

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W. C .Tyrrell, Jr., made a business trip to Beaumont, Texas, this week.

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Mrs. W. H. White was a recent visitor with her son Clair at Ft. Dodge.

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Prof. Dickinson and wife and Miss Cross visited at Shellsburg last week.

—I—

Miss Richards of Clarion, was a guest of Miss Luella Christie last week.

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Attorney G. R. Hill was in town Tuesday of this week on legal business.

—I—

Mrs. Ed. Ballou of Rowan, was a guest at the Thos. Tyrrell home last Thursday.

—I—

Mrs. Will White visited her son Clare and family in Fort Dodge last Thursday.

—I—

Miss Vivian Pierce of Mason City, visited her mother, Mrs. Daisy Pierce, last week.

—I—

A number of relatives from Dows spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Joe Anderson.

—I—

Prof. Fyler and wife spent the recent vacation with relatives in Shelbrock, Iowa.

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Clarence and Alma Golackson of Dows, visited the N. O. Stocksoth and R. H. Rierson families last week.

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Miss Margaret Jackson was a visitor during the school vacation with Fort Dodge friends.

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Miss Thorman, who teaches in the Hansel consolidated school, visited her mother last week.

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Mrs. H. H. Allen and daughter La Veta of Hampton, were guests of Mrs. Pat Dillon last week.

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Mrs. Ella R. Parsons of Traer,, Ia., is making an extended visit with her son, Dr. Parsons and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. Rye and daughters and Mr. Hans Rye visited at the A. S. Lund home Thanksgiving.

—I—

John Rick of Seymour, Iowa, is visiting at the W. H. White home. He is a nephew of Mrs. White.

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Cyril McGuire visited friends in St. Paul last week and attended the St. Paul-Minneapolis football game.

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Mrs. E. E. Boughton went to Dinsdale, Iowa, last week to visit her daughter, Mrs. Seth Huntington.

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Miss Ruth E. Pierce left last Wednesday night for Oelwein to spend the week-end at the Ralph Thorpe home.

—I—

A. S. Lund attended a meeting of the directors of the Automotive Insurance company in Mason City last Friday.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Kinney enjoyed a bountiful dinner with their daughter Mrs. Duran Nagle and family, last Thursday.

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Mrs. Ollie Tomson of Kanawha, was a visitor with friends and relatives in Belmond last Friday and Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Flynn and Miss Ialeen enjoyed a family dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Reed of Alexander last Thursday.

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Thayne Bailey, who is attending school at Coe college, returned to his work Sunday evening after a short visit with his parents.

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Bert Butterfifield and children have been spending a few days with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Butterfield, of Goodell.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tuttle of Williams, Iowa, parents of Mrs. Pat Dillon, spent a few days at the home of their daughter last week.

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Miss Gladys Christie, who teaches at Ankeny, Iowa, visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Christie, a part of last week.

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Mrs. Loretta McGuire visited in Le Mars and Sioux City last week with chums whom she knew while attending school at Notre Dame.

Verna Jones visited ... John Jones, at the Luther... in Hampton, where he is ... from an operation for appendi...

—I—

R. H. Klemme and family leave this week Friday for California, where they will stay about six weeks, returning the latter part of January.

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Miss Grace Richards, county demonstrator, was in Belmond the first of the week on business in connection with the Farm Bureau organization.

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Mr. and Mrs. B. Mennenga of Mason City, visited the H. Mennenga and Herman Schultz families last week, returning home Saturday morning.

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Mrs. Jos. Pletch and daughter, Lettye, visited with Mrs. E. C. Taylor in Des Moines last week. Mrs. Taylor was formerly Cora Sickenger of this city.

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Miss Florence Messelheiser of Long Beach, California, was a guest at the Wm. Tyrrell home last week. Miss Messelheiser is a sister of Mrs. Geo. Dunn of Alexander.

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The Misses Gladys Barry, Marie Johnson and Margaret Johnson were shopping in Mason City Friday and also attended the play entitled, "The Master of Ballantrae."

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Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Adams visited relatives in Eagle Grove last Thursday. Mr. Adams returned to business the following day, his wife remaining for a more extended visit.

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Mrs. Herman Pletch of Granville, Illinois, is a guest at the Fred Pletch home, and at the Frank Moeys home. Mrs. Pletch arrived last Friday and returned Tuesday of this week.

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"A Midnight Romance" is just what the title implies, and is a corking good picture, a First National feature, and you know what that means. See it next Monday night, Dec. 8, at the Lyric.

—I—

The Rosary society of the Catholic church will meet Thursday at the home of Mrs. John McAlpine. Mesdames Geo. Brady, T. S. Wallace, Matt Sullivan and John McAlpine will be hostesses.

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Belmond lovers of good moving pictures will not fail to see "A Midnight Romance" at the Lyric next Monday night, Dec. 8. It's a First National picture featuring Anita Stewart, and a top-notcher.

—I—

Miss Margaret Johnson, who is attending school at the Iowa State Teachers' college, and Miss Marie Johnson, who teaches at Rock Valley, Iowa, were home for a short visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Johnson.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Mallory, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson of Fort Dodge, visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spooner of Storm Lake last Thursday. Mrs. Spooner was formerly Miss Lucile Thompson of this place.

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All good moving pictures are not First National ones, but a lot of them are, and "A Midnight Romance," to be shown at the Lyric theater next Monday night, Dec. 8, is one of the best. Don't miss it. It's a 7-reel feature, and a good one.

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G. H. Richardson and wife and Mrs. Harriet Riley of Foreston, Ill., were guests at the R. W. Healey home in Garner last Thursday. Mrs. Riley is a cousin of Mrs. Healey. Mr. and Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Riley left last Saturday evening via the Rock Island for California to spend the winter.

—I—

D. H. Hake will have a closing out sale on his farm five miles southeast of Belmond this week Friday. Mr. Hake is going to move to town,, Louis Sharp moving onto the place. Mr. Hake has farmed in this vicinity for 34 years, one year at Wall Lake and the remaining 33 on the present location. His ad in this issue will interest all farmers.

—I—

Because of the shortage of coal, all freight trains on the M. & St. L. have been taken off recently and the former passenger trains does all the required freight work. Passengers waiting for a train on this line at the present time are advised to supply themselves with a lunch basket containing one or two meals. No change has been made on the Great Western branch thru here, but a mixed train running thru Clarion has been taken off. The Rock Island has been doing a fine business this fall and running six trains a day, with no change.

FOUND—Bunch of keys. Owner can have same by calling at the Independent office, proving property and paying for this ad.

ROWAN DEPARTMENT

[Miss LaVonne Ballou of Rowan, has charge of the Rowan Department in the Independent, and is doing a splendid job of it. She is giving the people of Rowan real news of their city, and should be congratulated on her successful writing. Rowanites by sending her or phoning her—telephone 63—any news they know will be doing their city a good turn, and their assistance will be appreciated by Miss Ballou.]—Editor's Note.

Entertained at Thanksgiving Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Duffy entertained Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whitten, daughter Ellifredia, and Mr. and Mrs. William Reitz.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Ballou were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou.

Mesdames Al Hackley and Clarence Lindsey entertained relatives at a Thanksgiving dinner at the Hockley home. Following are the guests who enjoyed the occasion: Mr. and Mrs. William Steffens, the parents of the hostess; Mr. and Mrs. Jess Steffens, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Steffens and children, the Misses Nora Shaffer and Mary and Dorothy Steffens.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kerchival entertained the following guests at the Clint Kerchival home Thursday: Mr. and Mrs. Clint Kerchival's sons, James and Charles; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kerchival, Mr. andd Mrs. Edgar Bingham.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Pelly had as their guests to a Thanksgiving dinner Mrs. Pelly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Duffy entertained at a dinner party Thanksgiving the following guests: Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Bonnell, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Whitten and Mrs. Kate Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keith and children, Kenneth and Margaret, ate Thanksgiving dinner with relatives in Goldfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huber had as their Thanksgiving guests Mr. D. M. Whitten, Miss Mary Whitten and little nieces, Louise and Ruby Azeltine.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Box, Miss Blanche Box and George Aldrich enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner at the H. J. C. Box home.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Emerson entertained their children at a Thanksgiving dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hyde and daughter Mae, Mrs. Charles Emerson and son Arthur, Miss Stella Emerson and Carl Emerson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Virden entertained Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard McCallum and daughter Hazel to dinner Thanksgiving. Mrs. McCallum is Mr. Virden's sister.

Galt Ladies Entertained by Rowan Congregational Missionary Society.

The Congregational Missionary society entertained the ladies of Galt at the church Tuesday afternoon at which time Mrs. Halbert, the wife of Rev. Halbert of Galt, gave a very interesting and instructive report of the State W. B. M. I. held in Marshalltown recently.

The following program was enjoyed by the guests:

Prelude—Mrs. Clint Kerchival.

Song—Onward, Christian Soldiers.

Prayer—Mrs. O. E. Ballou.

Scriptural Reading—Mrs. J. W. Bonnell.

Solo—"Abide With Me," Miss LaVonne Ballou.

Impersonation of an Indian Woman—Miss Mary Whitten.

Report of the W. B. M. I. meeting—Mrs. Halbertrt of Galt.

Reading of a letter from Mrs. S. A. Martin of Grinnell—Mrs. O. E. Ballou.

Duet—"A Little Bit of Love"—Mrs. L. A. McCallum, Mrs. H. Parliman.

A delicious lunch was served by the young ladies of the mission study club, after which Rev. Halbert of Galt dismissed the gathering in a very pleasing manner. About forty Galt and Rowan ladies enjoyed the occasion.

School Program.

A very interesting grade program was rendered at the school auditorium Friday evening and was enjoyed by an appreciated audience. Following is the program:

Recitation—Welcome, Velma Streveler.

Song—Butterflies, Seven Little Girls.

Piano Solo—Margaret Keith.

Punyskin Drill—Eight boys and girls.

Recitation—When Father Carves the Duck, Lester Smith.

Play—Pandora's Box.

Piano Duet—Clara Azeltine and Anna Rietz.

Recitation—A Turkey Jingle, Bernard Stunple.

Tea Party Song—Four Girls.

Recitation—The Public School will Make us True Americans.

Play—The Sleeping Beauty.

Congregational Bazaar and Supper.

The Congregational Ladies' Aid society met at the home of Mrs. Albert Emerson Thursday afternoon. Their annual bazaar and supper will be held Saturday afternoon and evening, December 6th. This will be an excellent place to start your Xmas buying, as the Christian Endeavor society will have an Japanese booth consisting of Japanese pictures,, toweling and other useful articles. They will also have Indian baskets for sale. Don't forget the date, Dec. 6th. The bazaar will be held in the church parlors, opening at 3 o'clock. Supper served, beginning at 5::30 and lasting until all are served.

Has Operation.

Georgie Brooks, who has been ill the past week with appendicitis, underwent an operation at his home Sunday evening, Dr. Sams and assistant of Clarion, performing the operation. Georgie is recovering as well as could be expected at this writing. The doctor thought they could avoid an operation but his temperature was high and on operating found that his appendix had been bursted about four days. They also found something that resembled a part of a date seed in the appendix. This is the third appendicitis operation in the Fred Brooks family in the past eight months.

School Buys Machines.

The local Red Cross chapter sold their two New Home sewing machines to the school board of the Rowan consolidated schools for $25 each. This will make the school three new New Home machines, which is a fine equipment for the domestic science room. Now all the school lacks is a domestic science instructor, which has been impossible for them to secure this year, since the resignation of Miss Thompson.

Scalded by Hot Coffee.

Baby Waine, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Whitten had the misfortune to scald his hand and arm quite severely on Thursday morning when he pulled a cup of hot coffee from the table, spilling it over his hand and arm. This is the second accident in the Whitten family this week, as it was his sister Evelyn who injured her hand so severely on Monday morning. She is able to be out again and is attending school.

Mrs. Roy Ryder Ill.

Mrs. Roy Ryder while spending the day Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Willard McCallum, was taken seriously ill with an attack of acute appendicitis. Dr. Gordan was called and on Thursday evening Dr. George was called for a consultation. Mrs. Ryder is improving nicely at this writing and it is not thought necessary for an operation at present.

Has Good Sale.

The closing out sale of Fred Kerchival on Thursday was attended by a large crowd from all over the county. Everything brought top notch prices, as the Kerchivals were excellent farmers and took good care of their stock. The sale amounted to about $3,500. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kerchival and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kerchival, will move to Rowan March 1st.

Aid Society Meeting.

The M. E. Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. Will Azeltine Thursday afternoon and tied several comforts. A 15c lunch was served by the hostess which was enjoyed by a large attendance of ladies. The society is planing on holding a bazaar and supper in the near future.

Short Locals.

F. B. Sheldon was at Dows Friday evening attending a meeting of the Farmers' Exchange Bank of Dows, of which he is president.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rietz are now at home in their fine new bungalow, which has just been completed. Since their marriage they have been staying at the home of Mrs. Rietz's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Whitten.

Miss Ruby Aten was a Belmond visitor between trains Saturday morning.

Dont forget the Congregational bazaar and supper at the church Saturday evening. A fine place to buy your Xmas presents and a good place to get a dandy meal, as the Congregational ladies have a great reputation as being excellent cooks.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Heath were Clarion callers Tuesday.

J. H. Dix of Hampton, spent Saturday at the Elmer Bailey home on Mr. Dix's farm 3 miles east of town. Mr. and Mrs. Dix leave soon to spend the winter in sunny California. They will also visit with Mrs. Dix's brother, Judy Willis, in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Arthur Box of Clarion, recently of this community, went to Omaha the past week where she had an operation, having her tonsils and also a growth in her nose. The operation was more serious than was expected, as Mrs. Box was on the operating table for two hours. While convalescing she will visit with her sisters in Omaha.

The Senior class and class teacher, Miss Linder of the high school, gave a theater party and oyster supper Saturday evening in honor of Miss Hazel Azeltine, who has entered the Hampton schools to take a normal course.

N. F. Ballou of Omaha, Neb., was a business caller in town Monday.

The W. C. T. U. have received a number of books belonging to the Traveling library, and anyone wishing to read any of these books may call at the L. W. Stevenson home as Mrs. Stevenson is librarian for the W. C. T. U. society. Don't miss this excellent opportunity to read some of our best books.

Miss Ida Ryder was a passenger to Grundy Center Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving and the week-end at the home of her daughter Mrs. Perle Fuller and family.

A union Thanksgiving service was held at the Congregational church Thursday evening, Rev. J. W. oBnnell delivering an excellent address.

Miss Anna Williams and Baby Roger Pritchett were dinner guests at the home of her uncle, W. H. Bingham and family on Tuesday of the past week.

Many friends were glad to see Miss Dorothy Pritchett able to be about again since her recent operation at Hampton.

Miss Hilda Bonnell, who is teaching school near Parkersburg, has returned to her school duties, having spent the past two weeks at the home of her father, Rev. J. W. Bonnell and wife.

The C. E.'s will have a dandy assortment of Indian baskets at the bazaar Saturday evening.

Dave Frizzell of Estherville, spent Monday with his sister, Mrs. Dan Fletcher. On Tuesday Mr. Frizzell and sister went to Forest City to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Heath, Mrs. H. G. Box and Miss LaVonne Ballou were dental callers at Clarion Friday afternoon.

Lem Rowen came down from Belmond Saturday and is staying with his mother. He is suffering with blood poison in one of his arms. His mother, Mrs. Georgiana Rowen, has been quite ill the past week with a severe cold.

Mr. Jepman of Dows, who has been decorating the William Rietz new home, has been engaged to redecorate the State Savings bank and is at work this week.

Robert Rowen of North Dakota, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Georgiana Rowen.

Mrs. Jake Aidinger and daughters Mabel and Elsie, went to Ackley Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with relatives. They accompanied Mrs. Aldinger's brother home, who has been visiting at the Aldinger home the past week.

Miss Blanche Box came home from Ellsworth college at Iowa Falls Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with the home folks.

Miss Jeanette Kurvink, eighth grade instructor in the Rowan schools, went to Reinbeck Wednesday noon to spend Thanksgiving and the week-end at the home of her sister and family, who live near Reinbeck.

Don't fail to see the C. E.'s Japanese booth at the Congregational church basement Saturday evening.

E. R. Ballou was a business caller at Clarion Wednesday returning home via Belmond.

Duncan Farren and Henry Williams went to Hayfield, Minn., Thursday to spend a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schreck, Mrs. Schreck being Henry's sister.

Mrs. J. D. Brooks has been seriously ill the past week at the home of her son Fred Brooks. She was able to return to her home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Edwards were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Parsons at Galt.

Mrs. Charlie Emerson and son Arthur are staying with Mrs. J. D. Brooks for a few weeks.

Supervisor D. E. Harris attended a joint meeting of supervisors at Garner Tuesday.

Miss Inex Fowler was a Belmond shopper Wednesday.

Miss Hazel Azeltine, who is attending school at Hampton, spent Thursday and the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Azeltine.

Mrs. E. R. Ballou went to Belmond Thursday on the afternoon train to visit at the Tyrrell home.

Russell Sinclair and Mr. Crowell were passengers to Des Moines Wednesday evening. Russell will visit his grandmother, Mrs. Woods.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

(From Clarion Clipper)

List of land transfers in Wright county, Iowa, for week ending Nov. 22, 1919, reported by M. H. Austin and Son, abstractors.

Frank L. McCurnin to Ella M. Cleveland, center ½ lot 2 blk 25 Belmond, $3800.

Calantha Radley to Elsie Keith lots 2 and 7 blk 23 Goldfield, $2000.

Mabel McVicker to L. H. Thompson lot 6 blk 45, 1st Ry add to E. G. $1100.

John F. Baker to Albert Baker, und ¼ of W½ of NE¼ sec. 16-93-25, $4000.

L. J. Clarke to J. W. McGrath, lot 8 blk 13,, Eagle Grove, $1700.

W. E. Baker to Gilbert A. Glendy, tract S and N 122 ft by W and E 330 ft in NE¼ of NW¼ sec 6-91-24, $1500.

Ellen Swanger et al to W. C. Halsey, tract west of Dr. Ditch in S½ of E½ of sec 16-90-25.

Cecilia Espeland et al to John Reynolds, lot 11 blk 35 Eagle Grove, $1200.

G. H. Richardson to First National bank Belmond E½ of W 1-3 lot 8 blk 21, Belmond, $1.00.

Cecilia Espeland et al to Lulu Corsair lot 12 blk 35 Eagle Grove, $1800.

B. C. Clarke to R. B. Weatherwax lots 11 and 12 blk 2 Ry add to Clarion, $1425.

Loses Big Damage Suit.

James C. Phelan, a former resident of Clarion, who sued the director general of railroads for $75,000 damages for the loss of both legs and part of an arm in a wreck on the Illinois Central near Dubuque last March, lost his suit for the time being in Judge Henry Reed's court, when the jury in the case failed to reach a verdict. This sum is the largest ever asked for a case of this kind in the state and the trial has attracted much attention. Mr. Phelan, in a wheel chair,, was a witness. The jury was ordered dismissed by Judge Reed and a new trial is the next step.—Clarion Monitor.

Country School Board Meeting.

The school boards for districts 9, 7 and 6, held a meeting in the city hall last Saturday, Miss Blanch Bock, county superintendent, being present,, to discuss the school question in the three districts. The schools have been unable to secure teachers, and the question of what to do with the pupils was discussed. It was decided to divide the pupils in the district 9 school, near Morse Lake, sending part of them to the most convenient school, and the pupils from districts 7 and 6 were sent to the Belmond school, starting this week Monday. About 25 to 30 new pupils from the country therefore entered the local school yesterday. The districts pay their tuition and furnish stalls for the horses used in driving, each family doing its own driving. The town school board had not at this writing held a meeting to decide whether or not another teacher will be necessary, but as some of the rooms now have over 40 pupils it would seem probable that another teacher will be secured.

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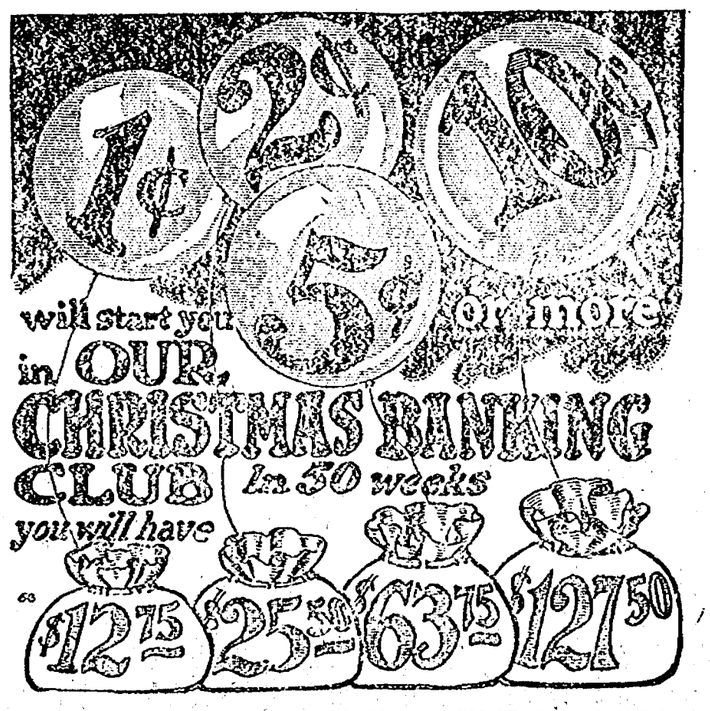

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County Correspondence

ALEXANDER

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Green of Renwick, Iowa, was in town transacting business and visiting around town with friends and relatives.

Merle Hanson has accepted the position of temporary carrier on route two by the resignation of Leslie Reed.

Geo. Clay is the owner of a fine new car, a Dodge Sedan.

Louis Peters was a Hampton visitor between trains Tuesday.

Mr. Foughty and family visited with his brother, Tom Foughty, of Ventura, Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Sheirbon is on the sick list this week.

The grade program given last Tuesday evening was very entertaining and was enjoyed by all present. The proceeds amounted to $42.50, which is to go toward new records and library books for all grades.

The basketball game between the Belmond high school girls and Alexander high school girls, resulted in a scalping by the Belmond girls. The score was 6 to 33.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dunn, M. D. Latham and Miss Florence Messleheiser were transacting business in Algona last Monday.

Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Overman and Harry Scales are visiting this week with Mrs. Mary Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clay spent Sunday with Mrs. Clay's mother, Mrs. Livermore, at Latimer.

Seffert Schulte transacted business in Hampton the fore part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Flynn, Misses Ialeen and Marjorie, of Belmond, Mr. Frank Champlin of Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Reed and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dunn and family, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Reed for Thanksgiving dinner.

The following spent Thanksgiving vacation at their various homes: Miss Theresa Mors, Thornton, Iowa; Miss Bertha Gartz, Belmond, Iowa; Miss Hazel Hendrickson, Thompson, Iowa; Miss Marie Schonich, Ackley, Iowa.

Miss Maude Gordon was the guest of Miss Gertrude Pelling at Mason City Thursday and Friday.

Miss Esther Hacket of Iowa Falls, was a guest at the A. B. Arends home Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Reed spent Tuesday in Hampton attending to business affairs.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peters spent Thanksgiving day at the Braden home in Dows.

Joe Veeder spent several days at Belmond visiting with his father. F. C. Veeder, who has been ill the past five weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Foughty and Wilma spent Thursday at the Benson home in Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Miller are the proud parents of a baby born Tuesday, Nov. 25th.

Mrs. Margaret Wuttke and Miss Florence Nordmeir spent the day shopping in Hampton Friday.

OLAF

(Too late for last week)

P. O. Eliason went to Minneapolis last Monday to take treatment at the Olson hospital.

Marie Windecker spent last week at Iowa Falls visiting relatives and friends.

The party who took one large box of 22 short cartridges from the S. O. Windecker store is known, and will avoid further trouble by returning or settling for same.

Clara Eliason spent several days of last week at Hampton taking treatments at the Myers' hospital.

Pat Harold of Mason City, repaired the sugar beet dump last Friday.

Mrs. Henry Anderson will entertain the Ladies' Aid society Wednesday, Dec. 2. A good attendance is desired.

Miss Dorothea Whitesell of Iowa Falls, is spending the week at the S. O. Windecker home.

A number in our midst are done corn husking.

Upon examination it was found that little Herschel Johnson had broken his arm instead of the hand being hurt.

Howard Woodman, a tiler, is seriously sick at the Anton Olson home.

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KANAWHA

L. J. Kalvig transacted business in Belmond Friday.

The Lutheran Sunday school teachers met at the parsonage Friday evening to decide upon a Christmas program to be given Christmas eve.

The M. & St. L. R. R. is having some sidewalks put in on South Main street. L. J. Kalvig and crew are doing the work.

The K. H. S. basketball team showed the Corwith H. S. bunch how to play basket ball last Friday evening by a score of 19 to 8 in Kannwha's favor.

Miss Enga Kalvig of Rowan, is visiting the Lewis and John Kalvig families this week.

Elmer Kalvig transacted business in Belmond Monday.

The Klemme Lumber Co. is having a part of their lumber shed moved back about 50 feet, so as to give them more yard room.

S. S. Fonde, who was called to Madelia, Minn., last week to the bedside of his father, who had a serious operation performed, returned Monday evening, but unfortunately for Mr. Fonde, when he arrived here he received a message stating that his father was dead. Mr. Fonda left Wednesday to attend the funeral.

Victor Stueland drove to Belmond Monday on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Lars Nerheim went to Renwick Tuesday, where they are going to spend the winter with their son, who resides on a farm there.

Messrs. Thomas, John and Elmer Kalvig, autoed to Britt on business Wednesday.

Irvin Anderson autoed to Belmond Wednesday on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Waddell went to Ft. Dodge Wednesday for a short visit with relatives and friends.

L. J. Kalvig drove to Garner Wednesday on business.

Mesdames Vivian Rourke and Credella Wagoner went to Algona Wednesday evening to spend Thanksgiving with Miss Wagoner's sister.

Miss Anna Hill from Jackson, Minn., is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

GOODELL

(Too late for last week)

Ed. Reed and wife and Miss Grace Boughton were here Wednesday calling on their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Butterfield. Mr. Reed and family reside at Cornelia. C. E. Butterfield and wife of Mason City, were here also the fore part of the week. They were all in attendance at the funeral of Mrs. Rose Butterfield of Belmond, wife of C. L. Butterfield, whose sudden death was a sad loss to to her husband and five children. The last sad rites were performed in the beautiful cemetery east of town. The sermon at the Congregational church in Belmond was replete and wonderful; the preacher, Rev. Lienbach, was a fine speaker.

Quite a number will finish corn husking this week.

Large shipments of poultry every day keep John Reed on the jump.

Mr. Wolf and family are moving on their farm near Ackley this week, although their stay has been short among us they will be missed. They leave many warm friends here.

When certain young nimrods go out hunting they are liable to a fine and arrest by practicing on domestic fowls inside the owner's premises.

In regard to prohibition our town is hard to beat. No one ever touches a drop, but a few have been known to produce a "'jag" by looking at a bar of soap. Ahem! Keep your eyes off from all packages. By "gazing" a delirious effect is produced.

Frank Church returned to Mason City, after a pleasant visit to friends here. He is an oculist.

Mrs. Christianson is at home now after visiting former friends.

Gaile McNutt is making a visit to Mason City relatives.

Mrs. Gosnell of Fort Dodge, is visiting her friends here.

Bring in those old clothes you have laid aside and have them cleaned up, made new again. It pays. Repairing and altering done also. Star Cleaner.

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SUGAR FACTORY NEWS

All the steel necessary to complete the machine shop and boiler house of the Iowa Valley Sugar company is now on the ground.

—I—

Mr. W. H. Adams, factory superintendent of the Iowa Valley Sugar company, has returned from a five weeks' business trip in the east.

—I—

The Sugar company was very fortunate in getting all necessary material on the ground before the snow storm arrived. They can now continue the winter work uninterrupted.

—I—

Dr. J. Arthur Brock returned from an extended business trip in the interest of the Agricultural department of the Iowa Valley Sugar company.

—I—

Despite the inclement weather the Agricultural department of the Iowa Valley Sugar company reports nearly all acreage written for spring planting.

—I—

President C. T. Fenton of the Iowa Valley Sugar company reports from Minneapolis that his office is deluged with sugar inquiries, but the best he can promise his many friends is plenty of sugar from Belmond next October.

—I—

The Iowa Valley Sugar company will be glad to supply, free of charge, a booklet containing Dr. Brock's lectures on sugar beet culture. Send your name to the office for one of these books. It contains valuable information.

—I—

On December 9 a general meeting of the directors of the Iowa Valley Sugar company will be held in Belmond.

—I—

A. E. Milligan, labor agent of the Iowa Valley Sugar company, is now in Minnesota contracting with sugar beet laborers for the coming spring planting. He reports excellent progress.

—I—

Mrs. W. H. Adams has returned from a month's stay in Michigan and Ohio.

—I—

Mr. H. C. Weiss, agriculturalist of the Iowa Valley Sugar company,, has received information from Mrs. Weiss that his eight-year-old daughter has fully recovered from a severe attack of grippe.

—I—

Mr. H. J. Holt, agricultural superintendent of the Iowa Valley Sugar company, will leave for Michigan and Ohio about December 20 to line up beet laborers for early spring planting. Mr. Holt has a wide acquaintance among experienced beet laborers and it is expected that he will introduce a very high calibre of beet workers in this territory.

OF INTEREST TO MOTORISTS.

Some information of interest to motorists was brought out recently during a conversation with Ted A. Townsan of the Belmond Battery Station. He advises the car owner if he wants to care for the battery himself to keep it in a place where it will not get below the freezing point of water. The battery must be given a charge at least monthly by running the engine at a speed equivalent to 20 miles an hour until all cells are bubbling freely. If water is needed it should be added before the charge, so that it will be properly mixed by the charging. Water should never be added in cold weather without afterward charging the battery, as being lighter than acid it may collect in the top of the cell and freeze. Rather than bother with all this work himself the average motorist would rather take his battery to an experienced battery man and where he could be assured that it would have proper care and the necessary "kick" to start things off in the spring. Ted says he got 20 for winter storage in one day.

ADDITIONAL BELMOND ITEMS

The Misses Mary and Nell Barry were guests of their sister, Mrs. Blake, at Ackley last. They returned by way of Fort Dodge, where they visited Miss Parel, a former teacher in Belmond.

—I—

Axel Swan and Gummer Ahlstrom left for New York Friday, where they will secure passage for Sweden, their old home. They expect to return next year with a couple of girls they left behind there when they came over.

—I—

Garland Hoffman of Kanawha, was in Belmond between trains Thursday enroute to Klemme. Mr. Hoffman's parents were former residents of Belmond and expect to move to Klemme in the spring where they will make their future home.

Belmond Local Ne

Mrs. Moon was a Rowan visitor Saturday between trains.

—I—

Bert Converse of Kanawha, was a Belmond caller last Friday.

—I—

Hilda Madsen returned to her school duties at Webster City Sunday.

—I—

Mr. Burwick of Ames, was a guest of friends in Belmond last week.

—I—

Matt Holtzbauer was a business caller at Mason City last week.

—I—

Gladys Barry returned Sunday to Duncombe, where she is teaching.

—I—

Mrs. A. S. Lund was a Mason City caller recently, going up on business.

—I—

Art Cuppett and Joe Kiplinger were Thanksgiving callers at Mason City.

—I—

Cyril McGuire returned Thursday from St. Paul, where he visited friends.

—I—

Mrs. Millie Smith of Klemme, came to Belmond to see her son LuVerne off for school.

—I—

Edith Foristal and Amy Thayer made a business trip to Meservey and Thornton last Monday.

—I—

Miss Ruth Wheelock of Eagle Grove, spent Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. C. J. Jones.

—I—

Mrs. Joseph Buchanan of Mason City, was visiting friends and relatives in Belmond Sunday.

—I—

Leo Kenefick left last Wednesday night for Des Moines, where he spent several days with friends.

—I—

Martin Nissen and family were Thanksgiving visitors with the Gus Nissen family at Luverne.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Adams were guests at the home of Mrs. Adam's parents at Eagle Grove last week.

—I—

W. J. Buchanan has been at his farm near Goodell the past two weeks looking after his farming interests.

—I—

Mrs. Joe Buchanan of Mason City, spent Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Buchanan of Belmond.

—I—

Miss Vera Knutes of Dows, was a visitor at the F. C. Aldrich home during the week end, returning Monday.

—I—

Will Jenison and family spent Thanksgiving at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Curtis Luick at Goodell.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Case of Clarion, spent last Thursday at the home of Mr. Case's aunt, Mrs. Ora Case, in Belmond.

—I—

Paul Northrop went to Parkersburg to spend a few days at the home of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. B. W. Northrop.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Farmer of Clarion, were guests of Mrs. Farmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Luick, last week.

—I—

Father Eardley left Sunday for Oelwein, where he will take part in devotional work in the Catholic church there.

—I—

Earle Dalrymple and family of Eagle Grove, were Thanksgiving guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dalrymple.

—I—

Thoyne Bailey left Sunday night for Cedar Rapids to resume his studies at Coe college, after spending a few days at home.

—I—

Elmer Kalvig and wife and brother Holger Kalvig, were in Rowan Friday visiting at the home of their brother, Carl Kalvig.

—I—

Mrs. Turk Walker and baby of Ft. Dodge, were visitors at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Leavey, last week, returning home Sunday.

—I—

The Misses Credella Wagoner, Viva Rourick and Alfa Bamford of Kanawha, were between-trains callers here FFriday enroute home from Eagle Grove.

—I—

Milton Allison arrived home Saturday from the navy, having received his discharge. He has been in transport service for the past nineteen months. He was discharged from the Great Lakes naval station.

—I—

The Nordschow Motor Co. delivered a seven passenger Chandler six touring car to Charley Frisbee of Garner last Wednesday. This car had been ordered since last July, which is sufficient indication that the man who plans on a car next spring had better get his order in immediately.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE LAW.

...s About the New Law Compiled by W. C. Ramsay, Secretary of the State of Iowa.

A few weeks ago upon the gracious invitation of your secretary, I prepared an article dealing with the new motor vehicle law for publication in the Motor Trades Bulletin. Because of that I feel that I should not take the time of this convention today in any extended discussion of the new law. The members of this organization are keen business men who have already acquainted themselves with the provisions of the new statute and it occurs to me therefore that it would be more interesting if I were to discuss the growth of the motor vehicle industry in the state of Iowa as disclosed by the records of the department which will indicate a few of the reasons apparent to the members of the last General Assembly why some changes in the law and in the method of registration and the collection of motor fees were absolutely essential.

The motor vehicle department of this state was first organized in 1904 and all of the work of the department was performed by one clerk, there being 931 cars registered. Owners of automobiles at that time were required to call at the office of the secretary of state to pay their fee. They were issued some sort of a license and were told to furnish their own numbers. Some made numbers of wood, others used tin and others, even in those days, drove their cars without any numbers. The first real organization of the department was made in the year 1911 when a total of 8,000 cars were registered. On November 1st of this year the department had registered 356,321 cars, showing an increase in the business transacted by the department during a period of eight years of about 350,000 registrations.

During the past eight years practically the same system has been employed in the conduct of this business, no provision having been made to handle the increased work of the department except the employment of additional clerks, there being but four clerks employed in 1911 and about thirty-five now. This accounts largely for the difficulties of the department, for the system has never been revised, and while ample then, it is entirely antiquated and inadequate now.

Some improvements in the law have been attempted from time to time in the way of amendments. Some of them have been good while others have proven more detrimental than beneficial. I have particularly in mind the three year number plate. So many auto owners registered their cars in 1916, and after obtaining possession of their plates, the trivial matter of paying during the subsequent years was entirely overlooked, this negligence on the part of the people causing an estimated loss to the state of approximately $500,000,000 per year for 1917 and 1918. The three year plate was expected to effect a saving to the state in the cost of the plates, but the saving thus made was only a fractional part of the loss sustained by the operation of this law. The plates in use this year cost the state 25 cents per pair. The contract for the manufacture of plates of equal quality for use in 1920 was let for 13 cents per pair.

The inefficiency of the old law is further demonstrated by the failure of the public to comply with the provisions thereof covering the matter of reporting the transfer or sale of used or second hand cars.

The actions of second hand dealers and the failure to act on the part of negligent car owner has resulted in complications and entanglements in the automobile records of this state which can only be described as being utterly chaotic.

And in addition to that, there have been hundreds of remittances made to the department in both checks and drafts, which have never been cashed and which the most diligent search has failed to reval any place about the department. Either they never were received, or, if received, they have disappeared, and it has been found impossible to locate them.

These were the conditions confronting me when I assumed the office of secretary of state on July 1st, last, and, complying with the edict of the Thirty-eighth General Assembly, took over the motor vehicle department, which is under my supervision. I found the department approximately 80,000 registrations behind, and mistakes and errors in the records of approximately 100,000 more. It is estimated that there were on file and unanswered on July 1st, more than 50,000 letters of inquiry. Those inquiries have all been answered and we have succeeded in bringing a large measure of order out of chaos.

I have had prepared some comparative figures of the business of the department for the four month period from July 1st to November 1st of the years 1918 and 1919.

Total registrations made during period in 1918 were 71,044 and in 1919 were 98,978. The total receipts of the department for four months in 1918 amounted to $368,261.01 and in 1919 amounted to $574,880.51.

Applications indexed on July 1st numbered 180,000 and on Nov. 1st, numbered 354,000; 6,640 refund checks were written amounting to $22,767.11. During July a list of delinquent auto owners was prepared and sent to the county attorneys three months earlier than had ever been the case before. In the year 1918 the delinquent fees collected amounted to $11,089.67 while on Nov. 1st, the amount collected was $61,621.46, this amount being incomplete for the reason that a third of the county attorneys have yet filed their final reports.

These figures are read to give you some idea of the immensity of the task and the voluminous details of the work performed by the motor xehicle department. We anticipate an estimated registration the coming year of 400,000 cars, and it is my very earnest desire to enlist the support and co-operation of the Motor Trades Bureau in making a success of the gigantic task confronting us.

Permit me now to discuss briefly the new law. The department did not write the law, and, I am glad to say, are not responsible for all of the provisions thereof. But we are charged with the responsibility of its enforcement and it is our purpose to administer the new statute, sanely, conservatively, and impartially, to promote the regulation of the motor vehicle industry of this state,, rather than by any arbitrary action to handicap, or in any manner jeopardize one of the most important industries of the commonwealth.

That there are existing defects in the law which require correction, or at least where the phrasecology needs clarification is true and it is my suggestion that you so perfect your organization as to be able to present these matters to the General Assembly and in this I pledge you the cordial support of the motor vehicle department.

It is not difficult for me to say that the law contains several provisions which I am unable to understand. As an example, the last paragraph of Section 27 reads as follows:

"No motor vehicle shall operate over any highway, improved with a gravel or paved surface, which has projections of metal or wood beyond the tread of traffic surface of the tire excepting vehicle equipped with caterpillar tread; provided that tractors, traction engines or similar motor vehicles may be operated which have 'V' shaped or diagonal cleats arranged in such a manner that two or more cleats are continuously in contact with the road surface and that the weight per inch width of such cleats in continuous contact with the road surface measured in the direction of the movement of the vehicle does not exceed eight hundred pounds per inch width of tire."

Just what is meant by that I do not know. I have submitted the question to the office of the attorney general and if I ever get the proposition straightened out, I will be glad to advise you.

I am informed that I have been quoted as giving an opinion that the new law permitted the use of card board numbers. I think I must have been misunderstood. I am of the opinion that I had the old law in mind at the time. The new statute is quite clear on the subject and is covered by Section 21.

The only card board number permitted is the "license applied for" card to be used not more than 15 days by the purchaser of a car who has made application for permanent plates and the "car in transit" card to be used not more than 10 days by dealers bringing new cars into the state or delivering them about the state to their sub-agents.

All of these card board numbers are to be supplied by the department and there is no provision in the law permitting dealers to allow their customers to use card board duplicates of their dealer's number.

The greater part of your afternoon session could be consumed in a discussion of different points in the law such as these I have mentioned, but my chief object in appearing here is to enlist the support and co-operation of this organization in the administration of the new statute. The law is on the statute books, so let us do the best we can with the material at hand until such time as the law can corrected in its various features to more nearly conform to the general ideas of all of the important interests involved.

In this I pledge you the co-operation of my department and beg to advise you of our confidence, respect and unbounded good will.

Which place had the biggest crowd Monday night—the church, the lecture or the movies?

The renter and small money man's paradise. See Wolle.

SCHOOL NOTES

School Calendar

Dec. 5—Basketball. Dows at Dows.
Dec. 12—Basketball. Garner at Garner. Boys and girls.
Dec. 21—Basketball. Goldfield at Goldfield. Boys and girls.

Belmond vs. Dows Friday.

The Belmond boys play Dows boys at Dows next Friday night. Plan to take your car and help to boost.

Literary Society Organized.

The literary society has been organized again and will soon be giving programs including the initiation of the Freshmen, Sophomores, new teachers and new scholars. Everyone enjoys these programs and everyone is cordially invited to attend them.

H. S. Girls Trim Alexander.

A week ago Friday the Belmond basketball team of girls played Alexander girls, the score being 33 to 6 in favor of Belmond. The same evening the boys played the Forest City boys and lost. However, this will not discourage our boys, as they have the pep and are working and practicing hard and will win yet. Come up to our basketball games. We need your boosting as well as that of the student body. It helps the boys and girls to know that you are standing behind them.

Ann Siskow from the Milwaukee schools entered the fourth grade Monday.

Preston Tyrrell went to Iowa City Wednesday to visit his brother Harry, who is attending the university at that place.

Miss Fowler of Rowan, visited several of the rooms last week. She is a teacher of English and public speaking in the Cresco, Iowa, schools.

A new apparatus is expected for the physics laboratory class. Laboratory is given two times a week and makes the subject much more interesting.

The bells that ring for classes have not been working of late. They are run by electricity and electricians have worked on it and will have them in shape soon.

The pupils of the fourth and fifth grades united their talent in an impromptu program last Wednesday.

We have on our desk a neat little newspaper called "The Habit," which is edited and published by the pupils of the Charles City high school. It has the typical high school pep and spirit and makes most entertaining reading.

Above all, we wish to invite you to visit our schools. It is not only an advantage to you, but it shows your interest in the school as a whole, and this interest helps the students and makes them enthusiastic. We need your help and you are welcome any time you wish to come.

School was closed for Thanksgiving vacation on Wednesday noon. The afternoons of Monday and Tuesday were prolonged until 4:45 so that school could be dismissed Wednesday noon. It was rather hard for some of the teachers to get to their homes on account of the train service here and this made it much easier for them.

The present school enrollment is as follows:

Kindergarten, 53.
First grade,, 41.
Sccend grade, 43.
Third grade, 39.
Fourth grade, 37.
Fifth grade, 31.
Sixth grade, 36.
Seventh grade, 42.
Eighth grade, 28.
High school, 127.
Total, 477.

This is a much larger enrollment than we had last year. The increase in numbers is partly due to the number of new people moving into town and also to the country pupils sent in by the Baker and Chapman schools. The country board for these schools pay tuition and furnish stalls for the horses driven by the country pupils. As will be seen most of the new pupils have entered the lower grades, making the number almost too large to do good work with the little folks. Should the number continue to increase doubtless the local school board will provide another teacher.

KANAWHA

Henry Vanoosting transacted business in Belmond Wednesday.

C. H. Waddell and family returned from Fort Dodge Saturday, where they had been spending Thanksgiving with relatives.

John Connell went to Sioux City Wednesday to work during the winter.

Mr. Beile went to New York Friday where he sails for Bergen, Norway, to visit his parents, whom he has not seen for 15 years.

William Benson and wife from Minooka, Illinois, are spending their honeymoon visiting relatives and acquaintances in Kanawha.

Messrs. Oscar Olson and Truman Stueland went to Mason City last Friday in quest of work.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ross and daughter left for Iowa Falls Tuesday evening to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ross's brother, Tom Kiley.

The Lutheran Brotherhood association met in the church parlors Friday evening. The discussion of the Sunday school was the main feature, after which refreshments were served.

Last Friday evening someone broke into the office of the Farmesr Elevator company, taking from the safe a jack knife and $1.00 in change. The thieves, most likely expected a big haul, but evidently did not realize very much for their trouble.

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GOODELL

Rumor hath it that the wedding bells will ring for a young couple living not a hundred miles from our town and by Christmas.

S. E. Eldred was here the latter part of the week.

Miss Mason visited her brother Walter and family the week-end.

W. O. Buttereld is visiting friends at Mason City for a few days.

Edith, Eva and Marguerite Butterfield are visiting their grand parents this week.

Mrs. Christianson has been taking treatment of Mrs. Deitz at Mason City and her lameness is so improved she is able to be out again.

Mrs. Wm. Finn and daughter are at Mason City this week.

Walter Morkle and wife are caring for Bert Butterfield's youngest child (little Marold) at present. The little one is about twenty monthy old.

The cold wave is here and we wish for June weather. For a starter 14 below is pretty cold.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—Riverside air-duct soft coal heater, medium size, guaranteed in good condition. Reasonable price. Guy Baker, Belmond.

FOR SALE—Good level building lot in most desirable part of town, one block from school, on pavement. Chester Buchanan.

FOR SALE—One pair of light bobs and one pure bred Duroc Jersey stock hog. A. W. Martin. 3-2t

FOUND—Two auto cranks. Owners can have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Nordschow Motor Co.

Announcement

We are this week redecorating our show rooms and will have something of interest in the way of special Christmas Announcement in the very near future.

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Adams' Pharmacy Destroyed By Fire Thursday Morning

LOSS RUNS INTO THOUSANDS—SOME INSURANCE CARRIED

BARRY MILLINERY AND DR. STEVENS ALSO LOSE QUITE HEAVILY

The largest fire Belmond has had since the town hall and Case livery barns burned, occurred last week Thursday morning at 5:30, when the Adams Pharmacy, Barry Sisters millinery store, and Dr. Stevens' offices were practically destroyed. But very little was saved from any of the three business places, the fire running up between the walls and leaving but an empty shell of the double building.

Loss Not Determined.

The cause has not been determined, being laid to either a defective furnace or electric wiring. According to the best accounts, it started at the rear end of the building, shooting up between the walls and destroying the second story first. The alarm was sounded early in the morning and the fire company arrived on the spot in short order, but were unable to do more than keep the blaze from spreading. Three streams were played on the blaze, but owing to the extreme difficulty of getting at it the fire smoldered several hours before being finally extinguished.

The largest loss was in the Adams Pharmacy, Mr. Adams having just received his Christmas stock of goods. Practically everything was either destroyed or damaged, the loss running into the thousands of dollars. Mr. Adams had not at this writing been able to estimate his loss.

The Barry Sisters' millinery stock was a total loss. A few waists and corsets were saved, but they were all damaged. The fixtures were a total loss.

Dr. Stevens, whose offices were over the millinery store, saved a few bottles and instruments.

Whittaker Family Barely Escape.

The Ed. Whittaker family, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Wittaker and their three children, were living above the Adams Pharmacy, and were routed out of bed early Thursday morning, fleeing to the streets in their night clothes. They lost everything except the clothes they had on and a couple of the boys' suits, which they managed to snatch as they fled the flames. The family was taken in by neighbors and will remain there until they can make arrangements for another home.

Partial Insurance Carried.

All the parties carried some insurance, which partially covered their losses. Dr. Stevens received his insurance the same day of the fire, the insurance adjuster happening to be in town that day. The Barry Sisters have not yet had an adjustment of their insurance, Mr. Adams and Ed. Whittaker also waiting for an adjustment.

Future Plans Not Decided.

The future plans of the three business parties have not as yet been decided. Mr. Adams states that he expects to stay in Belmond, and will reopen his business providing he can find a location. Belmond people hope that he remains here, for "Jim" is a popular fellow and universally liked.

The Barry Sisters will start in business again, and have two locations in mind, altho not having at this writing decided just where they will locate.

Dr. Stevens has rented the office rooms over the Belmond Furniture company store.

Fire Company Does Fine Work.

Too much praise cannot be given the fire company and the citizens who assisted in fighting the fire. They all did excellent work, despite the freezing weather. Some of the firemen were covered with ice, becoming so cold that they were barely able to get dry mittens on their hands. Cato Grigsy was somewhat severely injured during the fighting, a hose wrench slipping and striking him just above the left eye. While working on the Adams building he fell thru the ceiling and was struck in the side by a stream of water, which badly bruised him. Belmond has an excellent volunteer company, who are up-and-coming and right on the job. They were badly handicapped, however, by the fire fighting facilities of the city, the water playing out after the tank was emptied. Thompson's restaurant did good work by serving hot coffee and sandwiches to the remen.

Queer Freaks Played by Fire.

Some queer freaks of the fire are told by some of the men who helped fight it. An instance is related of a table in the Adams Pharmacy which set in the middle of the floor, and was covered with stationary. Everything on the table was burned to a crisp—but nothing around the table was even scorched. A postcard rack near the door had one envelope on it that was scorched black, but not another article on the rack had been burned. The only explanation of these oddities is that some of the drug stock formed gasses, which exploded and burned whatever was in the immediate vicinity.

Folks living next door, and business concerns in adjacent buildings, made all preparations for a quick getaway in case the fire spread. Elmer Kinney had his trunks all neatly arranged close to the door, ready to move at a moment's notice. The Iowa Valley Sugar company, whose offices are above the State bank, moved their records out, and the next day were busily engaged in moving back again. The tin covering of the building was all that saved the fire from spreading and possibly destroying the entire block, the tin holding the fire in.

The burned building was owned by the Rev. Wm. Schweiker, of Bishop, Illinois. Rev. Schweiker does not intend to build again, and it is understood negotiations are in progress for the sale of the lot.

DOUBLE HEADER BASKETBALL

Belmond high school basketball teams won both games of a double-header from the Alexander basketball teams last Saturday evening at the local gymnasium.

The girls' game was one-sided, the Alexander team showing very little basketball ability, and the only question was the size of the score.

Beatrice Leary was the principal scorer for Belmond, with five field throws and two foul throws. Stadtlander scored Alexander's only basket. The final score was 20 to 4.

The line-up:

Belmond High School.

Nelson, F.; Leavy, F.; Leinbach, C.; Leonard, C.; Dillon, G.; Forristall, G.

Alexander High School.

Kurseth, F.; Stadlander, F.; G. McCallum, C.; Schafer, C.; B. McCallum, G.; Stout, G.

Summary: Field baskets—Leavy 5, Nelson 4, Stadtlander 1. Foul baskets—Leavy 2, Kurseth 2.

The boys' game was hotly contested the first half, but the superior team work of the locals put them in the lead in the second half.

Madsen and Luick played the best game for Belmond, and Modderman was Alexander's principal scorer.

Alexander's team greatly outweighed the local team, but was no match for Belmond for speed and general basketball ability. It was the Belmond second's first game, but it is possible, owing to the team's showing, that more games will be scheduled.

The line-up:

Belmond High School.

Luick, F.; T. Johnson, F.; Parsons, C.; C. Johnson, G.; Madsen, G.

Alexander High School.

Modderman, F.; Nelson, F.; McDonald, C.; Geitz, G.; Pals, G.

Substitutions: Stapley for T. Johnson, M. Nelson for C. Johnson, H. Modderman for Geitz

Summary: Field baskets—Madsen 8, Modderman 4, Luick 2, T. Johnson 1, Nelson 1, McDonald 1.

Referee—Desing, Ames.

It has come to pass that a lot of folks who couldn't save anything, even their breath, are now forced to save—fuel. And at that a lot of them won't.

THE MASTER OF THE BIN

Out of the bin that's under me,
Black as the pit from floor to hold,
I thank whatever gods may be
For my four tons of furnace coal.

In the fell clutch of ten below
I have not winced or cried aloud.
I know the price of what I burn,
My head is bloody but unbowed.

Beyond this house so warm within
'Tis ten below in sun or shade.
The menace of the empty bin
Finds and shall find me unafraid.

It matters not how vast the bill,
How charged with punishment the scroll,
I've still a small sum in the till,
I am the captain of my coal.

—A. J. R. in Minneapolis Journal.

GOODELL HAS SERIOUS FIRE

BIG BLAZE RAZES NORTH HALF OF BUSINESS BLOCK

Seven Business Houses Reported Destroyed—Newspaper Among Them.

Reports reached Belmond early Wednesday morning of a disastrous fire at Goodell Tuesday evening. Telephone communication has been cut off and the Independent is unable to verify the reports in the short time before going to press this morning.

According to the best information obtainable, however, the fire originated in the Goldberg store, presumably from a defective chimney, and burned every building on the north side of the block except one or two. A dry goods store, furniture store, combination feed store and meat market, telephone office, Globe newspaper shop and drug store are reported destroyed, with little or no salvage. It is said that it was impossible to stop the fire, and all efforts were turned toward saving all goods possible. Three families were living over the various stores, and these were rendered homeless. Insurance is reported as being small.

M. E. BAZAAR

Ladies Will Hold Christmas Sale on December 13th.

The ladies of the M. E. Aid society will hold a bazaar in the church on Dec. 13, and invite all Belmond people to attend and select their Christmas gifts from the beautiful display of goods offered for sale. Doors will not be opened till 10:30, but after that hour the sale will continue all day.

New Plan.

Formerly each division displayed the goods furnished by that group in a booth by itself. This year the plan has been changed and all articles of similar character will be placed in one booth.

Booths.

Buy your aprons and bags of all sorts and sizes at the apron and bag booth. The fancy work booth will have just the right little Christmas gift for any of your women or girl friends. At the doll booth you can find just the ideal rag baby for sister.

Surely no one will pass the candy booth without sampling its wares. Then there is the fish pond at which every Isaac Walton will wish to try his luck with a 15c bait.

Lunches will be served all day, in the help-yourself style. Try a little of each article offered and you will have a complete meal.

Menu.

Hot chicken sandwiches, 10c; pie, 10c; cake, 10c; doughnuts, 5c; coffee, 5c.

ALBIN JOHNSON HOME IN HAMPTON DESTROYED BY FIRE

Former Belmond Man Suffers Heavy Loss Monday of Last Week.

The home in Hampton of Mr. and Mrs. Albin Johnson was totally destroyed by fire last week Monday evening, the estimated loss being $5000.

The fire was discovered between 9 and 10 o'clock Monday evening, and made such headway that the Johnson family were only able to escape with what clothes they had on, going to the neighbors in their bare feet. The house and all furnishings were burned. Mr. Johnson is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Johnson of this city, and is very well known in Belmond. He carried about $1400 insurance. He does not expect to build again, but plans on buying another residence.

FAMILY STRANDED

Red Cross Helps and Collection Is Taken Up.

Thos. Bergan, wife and two children, girls, aged 8 months and 3 years, reached Belmond on the Great Western Tuesday evening at 5 o'clock, without funds. According to the man's statement to Father Eardley, he, with his family, were on their way to St. Paul, coming from Omaha where they had been on a pass received with a car load of stock from near Billings, Mont. Delayed trains resulted in his spending all his money for meals, except enough to get to Fort Dodge and then here.

Mr. Bergan appealed to the Red Cross and assistance in the way of assured meals were provided for the family until they could reach St. Paul, where he claimed he has a position in the stock yards. Mr. Lory of the Hotel Case furnished the family with supper Tuesday evening, and a collection among the traveling men and boarders at the hotel resulted in a purse of $12, which meant transportation to St. Paul. They left Wednesday afternoon.

The Independent Late Again.

The Independent is a day late this week on account of failure in electric power. The power has been off so much this past week that we were unable to get our news matter set up in time to go to press Tuesday. We lost practically a day and a half on the linotype, and even by working overtime could not make it up. If the power situation does not clear up soon we will make other arrangements so that we can get the Independent to you on Wednesday mornings.

The Iowa Falls Electric plant suffered a bi ak down last week, one of their boilers going to the bad, and Belmond received service for one day from the Cedar Rapids plant.

Fuel Administrator Announces Business Regulations in Belmond

RED CROSS PLANS FUTURE WORK AT RECENT MEETING

Board of Managers and Officers Are Elected—Other Matters Discussed.

The business meeting of the Belmond Red Cross which had been postponed by request of the national organization, was held last week Wednesday, and the following members of the board of managers were chosen:

Matt Barry,
Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans,
John Berg,
C. C. McGuire,
Maye Tracy,
Mrs. Earl Martin,
Mrs. McBurney,
Wallace Ramsay,
Roy Rankins,
Mrs. Stevens,
Mrs. Rankins,
Mrs. Wm. Tyrrell,
Mrs. Young,
Mrs. Marvin Christie,
Daisy Cameron,
Mrs. Ward Martin,
Mrs. W. O. Windecker,
Rev. Joseph Edge.

Although the war work of the Red Cross has been discontinued, much work has been done in an effective though silent way and the influence of the helpful Red Cross spirit is felt in the community.

The Red Cross met the emergency in the public school and hired a trained nurse for two weeks. They have also responded generously to other calls through the civilian relief committee which consists of the following members:

Father Eardley,
W. E. Bullard,
Mrs. T. D. Rankins,
Miss Ruth Klemme,
Rev. Jensen.

During the past year the national organization has inaugurated a department which has been planned for times of peace. These plans are explained to local societies as soon as perfected but a great deal of the work is yet unorganized. One plan is known as "Nursing Activities."

Mrs. McBurney has been investigating the details of this plan for some time but no definite action has been taken by our local chapter because the work has not yet been thoroughly perfected at headquarters. The idea is to place a public health nurse in the territory covered by the chapter to have charge of welfare work along the lines of health and sanitation.

This nurse must be provided with a salary, an auto, and incidentals. This means an investment of a considerable amount of money annually, but it also means untold benefit to the health and safety of the people of our chapter's territory. It is not understood that this nurse will take charge of individual cases except to advise regarding general sanitation conditions. Her work will consist of lectures and demonstrations before assembled meetings and especially talks to the school children of both our local and rural schools. In fact the work will be along the line of modern thought of prevention rather than cure.

No qualified nurses are available at the present time, from the fact that these special Red Cross nurses must have had the training given by the best hospitals and also a course which prepares them for public speaking and demonstrations. Many nurses are taking these special courses and will be ready for service in the near future.

The national organization has a great many plans for peace times, but it puts the most emphasis on the matter of public health.

The following facts from the national reports indicate the supreme importance of our waking up to the fact that many of them apply to our own local conditions.

Satrilling Facts.

Contagious diseases kill 300,000 children every year and permanently injure countless others.

One babe in every five dies before its first birthday.

One person in every ten dies of tuberculosis in the prime of life.

Countless numbers of men, women

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COAL SITUATION CAUSES RULING LIMITING HOURS OF BUSINESS.

FROM 10:00 IN THE MORNING UNTIL 4:00 IN THE AFTERNOON

Mayor M. C. Barry received his appointment last week as Fuel Administrator for Belmond, from Charles Webster, State Fuel Administrator, and immediately set about forming a schedule for hours of business among Belmond merchants and business houses.

The fuel situation has become so acute that rigid measures must be taken to conserve coal, and it was decided that all business houses in Belmond should not open until 10:00 a. m. and close at 4:00 p. m. No trade shall be carried on before or after those hours, except as noted in the mayor's announcement as set forth below.

According to the best information procurable, there is not enough coal in the various yards of the city to run three days. They all have coal ordered or on the way, but outside of a car or two recently released have none in the bins. The city hall has been closed, as has the public library, except for a few hours twice a week as announced elsewhere in this paper. Street lights will not be lighted except on very dark nights. All unnecessary meetings or congregations will be forbidden, and every measure possible taken to conserve the supply of fuel.

There is at present no indication of how long the fuel situation will continue serious. It will be some time after coal mining is resumed before a supply will begin coming in. Belmond is in no danger of freezing, however; most people have a supply of coal sufficient to run them some time, and in case of necessity enough wood could be rustled about the country to keep the home fires burning.

The reduction in business hours, however, will result in a pile-up of trade, throwing ten or twelve hours business into six. Do your Christmas shopping early, or you may be "out of luck."

Fuel Administrator's Notice.

Rules for fuel conservation which will be observed in Belmond until further notice:

I.

Retail stores, including barber shops, cigar stands, pool halls, office buildings, offices, banks, lodge and club room open from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m, except Saturdays and Christmas eve, when closing hour shall be 9 p. m.

II.

Street lights shall be reduced to a minimum.

III.

Electric signs and window lights are prohibited.

IV.

Themperatures of all stores shall be reduced to 68 degrees.

V.

Churches shall hold only one service on Sunday and that during the daylight.

VI.

Drug stores may be open from 9 a. m. to p. m., except that from 9 to 10 a. m. and 4 to 6 p. m., they shall be open for sale of drugs and medicines only. On Saturdays and Christmas eve their closing hour shall be 9 p. m.

All places serving meals will be permitted to open only to serve meals other hours than open hours for stores.

VII.

Picture shows, only one show each day.

VIII.

No orders shall be taken over telephone during closing hours.

IX.

Work in stores or offices during closing hours prohibited. Books may be taken home.

M. C. BARRY,
Fuel Administrator.

Farm News Page

CONSTITUTION FOR AMERICAN FARM BUREAU FEDERATION

Inasmuch as there seems to be some misunderstanding and confusion as to the real purpose of the farm bureau federation, we print below articles and sections of the American Farm Bureau Federation as approved by the Chicago meeting, held [illegible]:

Article 1. Name: The name of this association shall be the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Article 2. Object: The object of this federation shall be to correlate and strengthen the state farm bureaus and similar organizations of the several states in a national federation to promote, protect and represent the business, economic, social and educational interests of the farmers of the nation and to develop agriculture.

Article 3. Membership. Section 1: The membership of this organization shall consist of state farm bureau federations and state agricultural associations and state agricultural associations based on the farm bureau, or similar plan when approved by the executive committee of their organization.

Sec. II. All applicants for membership shall submit to the executive committee a copy of this constitution and by-laws.

Sec. III. Any member may withdraw in good order from the American Farm Bureau Federation by presenting to the secretary a written resignation, provided that alldue s are paid to date of withdrawal.

Article 4. Govrening board. Section 1. The governing board of this organization shall be comopsed of a board of directors, the members of which shall be selected by each of their respective state federations or similar organizations, which shall meet once a year.

Each state organization qualifying for membership shall be entitled to one director and an additional director for every 20,000 or major portion thereof of paid up members in the county organization affiliated with the state organization.

Sec. II. Sepcial meetings of the board of directors mal be called by the president with the approval of the executive committee.

Sec. III. The board of directors shall be composed of actual bona fide farmers and each director shall have one vote on each question.

IOWA FARMER SAYS WHAT CAN BE DONE.

A Tipton, Iowa, farmer has written a letter to a coal miner, sending it to the Chicago Tribune, and the letter is so brim full of the truth without using one's imagination, that it is reproduced:

"Tipton, Iowa, November 14th—Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

"I live out on the prairie 40 miles from nowhere. Talk about being a lone worker in a coal mine! I worked all day in the boiling hot sun and half the night to raise and harvest food to keep your wife and babies from starving. My good wife worked with me when she was able, helped me care for the livestock and milked the cows evenings so I could work longer in the fields to help feed you and yours. I did not even take a day off during the busy season to haul my coal from town lest some of your food be wasted. When I thought to make a big profit on my wheat our Uncle Samuel comes along and fixes the price. I take my medicine. No talk about autocracy or class legislation or an eight hour day. It was my duty to my country, etc.

"Now, Mr. Coal Miner, the cold wave is upon us. My wife is confined to her bed, and please remember it is just as hard for me to watch my wife and babies freeze or die from the cold as for you to watch yours die from hunger. Talking of hardships in this life of ours, such as being deprived of fresh air and sunshine in a coal mine, I would indeed welcome a little of your coal mine shade during harvest and your shelter from the winter's blasts when during a blizzard I am trying to get your food to market and haul home a load of coal, if it were possible for me to get any; which is not the case at the present writing. And how many times I have envied you your short hours when after a hard day's work I had to sit up all night with the livestock. You would n't last half as long in a western blizzard as I would in an eastern coal mine.

"But I have a good come back. My corn is still in the crib. I can use it to better advantage for fuel than you can use your coal for food. I do not say what I will do for it is against the law of our land to burn foodstuff. But if it comes to the 'survival of the fittest' we can all take a hand.

"Still trusting that you will see your error and go to work to get me some coal before I am forced to burn up your food, I am yours truly,

"FARMER JONES."

HOW MANY TRACTORS IN IOWA?

In discussing the use of the tractor on Iowa farms, I. Whitted, publicity man for the Iowa federation of farm bureaus, said recently that a count made at the beginning of the present year showed 9,100 tractors owned by farmers in the state. This represented an increase during the year 1918 of more than 4,700. To what extent the number has been increased this year is unknown, as no census has been taken since the first of the year.

"Six years ago," Mr. Whitted continued, 'there were not more than 1,000 tractors in the entire state. That was an average of about one tractor to every 200 farms. On Jan. 1 of the present year there were by actual count 9,100 tractors on the farms, an average of one tractor to every twenty-two farms.

"The Iowa farmer turned to the tractor because it helps toward the solution of the vexatious problem of farm labor. Forty years ago there were no large cities west of the Mississippi river. At that time perhaps four-fifths of the population of Iowa lived on farms or in small towns and looked to the farm for work.

"When the war broke out Iowa had no labor to spare. Iowa furnished 100,000 men for the army and navy, and no man knows how many more thousands left the farms, stores, trades and industries to take up other lines of war work. The farmer was up against the most acute labor shortage this country has ever known. And in the face of such conditions he was asked to produce two bushels where only one was produced before.

"It sounded like an impossible order. But it was filled. In the space of a few months the farmer had purchased more tractors than he had in the ten years previous.

"Statistics show that on Jan. 1, 1918, there were 4,363 tractors on the farms of the state. Count on Jan. 1, 1919, showed 9,100, an increase of more than 100 per cent.

"Not every machine has given satisfaction. That was hardly to be expected. Nor will they be altogether beyond criticism for some time to come. But considering the comparatively recent development of the farm tractor one is compelled to admit the progress and accept it as an indication of what is to come."—Farm Implement News.

IOWAR OATS MADE GOOD.

Iowar, a new oat, developed by L. C. Burnett, chief in cereal breeding at the Iowa State college, made a very satisfactory showing in the tests conducted by the farmers of the state this year.

From a total of 106 reports already received by the college, Iowar oats yielded 45.91 bushels in comparison with 42.36 bushel yield of the home varieties. These figures show an increase of over three and one-half bushels in favor of the new variety of oats.

This variety was found in 1911 and since that time it has been developed at the college by Mr. Burnett. For three years small plots were grown, and in 1915 field trials were made. On several occasions this oat has made yields in excess of 100 bushels. Iowar oats are in many ways similar to Iowa 103 oats. They are a creamy white in color and the straw is three or four inches taller than the 103 oats. These oats are a few days later maturing than the 103's. Because of the greater growth of straw the Iowar oats are good on thin land, and farms where much straw is wanted.

The tests this year comparing Iowar with Iowa 103 oats show an increase of over five bushels an acre in favor of the new oats. These figures are the results of 56 tests conducted over the state.

YOUNGEST GRAND CHAMPION PETROLEUM PILOT

Petroleum Pilot, owned by Walter E. Besecker, of Walworth county, Wisconsin, is the youngest grand champion boar the Chester White breed ever had. e was farrowed Sept. 16, 1918, and was made grand champion at the Indiana state fair before he was 12 months old. He was sired by Petroleum Giant, a boa rwith eight grand championships to his credit.

This great young boar also carries the distinction of being the highest priced under year Chester White boar ever sold, as Mr. Besecker paid $2,175 for him last October. He has been pronounced by many who have seen him to be the best boar at his age the breed has produced.

FOR SALE—Two boar pigs, Druoc Jersey, weight about 150. E. W. Hood, Phone 8206. 4-2t.

FARM SALE DATES

L. Wenke and Mennenga, Dec. [illegible]

WINTER ON THE FARM

The Viewpoint of a Local Agriculture Teacher.

It is hardly necessary for any person to try to tell the farmer of the work to be done on the farm during the winter. He knows what work there is that should be done but the days seem too short for him to accomplish all that he wishes to do. However, I do believe if the farmer would take the time to list the necessary odd jobs and check them off as they are completed, he would be surprised at the result of a systematic method in doing his work. Many times he will find he has an hour or two which he could profitably use in doing some of the short, odd jobs if he could think of them. Stormy days there is inside work which could be done and other similar instances that might be mentioned.

Some of the things which might be done at these times and which will save time and perhaps money later, are the oiling and repairing of the harness, sharpening of tools, sickles, etc.; sharpening of fence posts; repairing the buildings; putting in panes of glass; fixing the hinges on the doors; stuffing up the cracks in the barn, if it happens to be an old one; sorting his seed corn preparatory to testing of seed in the spring; cleaning the seed grain; repairing and perhaps adding a coat of paint to th efarm machinery, if he has a warm place to work; pruning the orchard; pairing the horseshoes; and last but not least, taking an old broom and sweeping the cobwebs down in the barn.

With all the foregoing work the farmer must be a student and he should spend some time each day in reading daily papers, especially the markets, and books and magazines relating to farming. He should be interested in farmers' meetings of all kinds which will bring the more progressive farmers together to discuss different phases of farming, and especially interested in the Farmers' County Insitiute and Short Course, which is conducted thru the State Agricultural college and County Farm Bureau.

The time has passed when every person who failed in business in town could make a success at farming. The successful farmer today is one of the keenest business men in the state, as he must not only know how to produce efficiently the products of the farm, but he must know conditions governing the market in order htat he may know when to begin fattening his stock, and when to sell both stock and grain to an advantage.

CHAMPION STEER SOLD

Prize Winner at International Brings $2.62 a Pound.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—At the auction sale of prize winning cattle at the International Live Stock exposition the single champion steers brought $2.62 a pound, against $2.50 last year, establishing a new record.

The grand champion carload of fifteen head sold at $45 per hundred weight, compared with $50 a year ago.

CORN CHAMPION

Northern Iowa Lad, 15 Years Old, Raised 119 Bushels on Acre.

Decorah, Iowa, Dec. 4.—Bernard White, son of R. J. White, received word that he had won the state championship in corn club work and wins a free trip to the International Corn show.

He raised 118 bushels and twenty pounds of white corn to the acre. He is only 14 years old and began the study and cultivation of corn three years ago and won the county championship.

He has selected ten ears of his best corn to take to the International.

CORN WHILE ON GRASS.

Ike Yount of Henry county, recently secured $19.00 per cwt. for a shipment of 34 choice Angus steers. These steers averaged 1344 pounds. About half were purchased last fall, averaging 700 pounds and costing $9.00 per cwt., while the rest were bought about the middle of April, averaging 900 pounds, at $12 per cwt. After purchasing the second lot, the cattle ran on grass and were fed corn. The corn on grass ration was employed until shipping time. About one neck of corn to each animal was fed the last 60 to 90 days. The cattle feeder at present is getting some well deserved innings.

WE FIDDLE AND FIDDLE WHILE ROME BURNS.

A Statement in the Times by Lynn S. Capper, President of Capper & Capper.

The world is hungry for the things we eat, wear and use. Stark hungry! The cupboard is bare as a bone. Prices mount to staggering figures and the cry of our worker is—more pay; shorter hours—and then a shortage shoots the price of things up another notch; again the cry—more pay; less hours.

Ye Gods! Must the vicious circle continue? Shall we never see that it is more hours we need, that to reduce the cost of the things we use, we must produce not less but more? I just received a cablegram from my brother in London, reading, "Market bare, prices awful, hopeless, sailing home. Oh, if Americans would grasp their opportunity."

Prices had gotten so high in this country and merchandise so scarce, we sent two of our firm abroad, hoping to find what we needed and at lower prices. The cable message is the answer! Merchandise is even shorter on the other side than here. They have nothing to sell and their shelves are bare. They want to buy—to buy from America—to buy the things that Americans make—and the answer of our workers is—reduce our hours—44 hours a week instead of 60—a cut in production of 25 per cent.

The writer sympathizes with those who work. He understands what hard work, privation and the struggle of life is—he has lived it. He has walked eight miles a day to earn 50c, carrying water for the workers who built the town of Pullman. He has gotten out of bed at 3:00 o'clock to milk 15 cows on a Winter's morning. He has put in 15 hours a day in a store. He is not a natural born autocrat; rather—he is the son of a steel worker. He feels that he knows the needs of those who struggle, but anyon webuild be indeed foolish who failed to see that the waste of time by carpenter, plumber or other worker in turn raised the price of rent, raised the price of the very clothes that he himself wore, and everything used by him or his fellow worker.

Short hours in the city has made the farm worker restless; he, too, wants short hours and increased pay. You and I, my friend, will go hungry. I farm 800 acres and I know what short hours in the city is doing for the farm.

We may keep high wages, we may keep our present scale, and still reduce the cost of living by a simple remedy—work—good, hard, honest, faithful service—not 8 hours, rather 10 and then some. Let us for one year, at least, resolve to work like h—!

Iowa again leads other states in the production of corn, according to the report of Frank S. Pinney, Iowa field agent for the bureau of crop estimates. The average yield is 40 bushels per acre, or about 5 bushels higher than the ten-year average of 1910-1919. The preliminary estimate of the production of corn this year is 409,000,000 bushels against 375,624,000 bushels last year; quality 96 per cent. About 3.3 per cent of last year's crop was on farms November 1st. Approximately 6 per cent of th teotal acreage was cut fo rfodder, and 4 per cent for silos.

One Sunday last fall a farmer drove to the county attorneys home and demanded the arrest of a neighbor's working crew that was violating the Sabbath. The county attorney was busy pulling weeds in his garden and suggested that the complaintant go before a justice of the peace, but was informed that the justice was fixing his windmill. He was then told to phone the sheriff, but the latter was busy loading cattle. The farmer was exasperated and resolved to saddle a horse and go for a constable, but his good wife, who was then busy canning fruit, informed him that the boys had driven the horse to the village and were playing baseball.—Ex.

FOR SALE—I have 10 pure bred Duroc Jersey boars, registered, weighing up to 250 each, to sell at once, cheap. Thos. Brooks. 4-8t

FOR SALE—I have four pure bred big type Poland China hogs for sale. One boar, the big long, stretchy kind. Three sows of the same type. Inquire at State Bank. David Luick.

I have 10 pure bred Duroc Jersey boars, registered, weighing up to 250 each, to sell at once, cheap. Thos. Brooks, Belmond. 2-4t

A good magazine makes an ideal Christmas present—and it is not too early to be ordering it. Do your shopping early, and do it at a reasonable price with the E. [illegible] Rankins Magazine Agency.

Listen, Farmers!

The corn is husked and the harness hangs idle. Throw one in the sleigh and bring it in to have it oiled and repaired during the quiet winter months, thus avoiding the rush in the early spring.

REMEMBER

Also that we have

A Complete Line of Everything the Horse Needs For the Winter Months

Jones Harness Company

BELMOND, IOWA

FARMERS

THIS SNOW MEANS

THAT the wagon and buggy must be laid aside for the next 3 months. Let us show you our line of

SLEDS AND CUTTERS

We have a complete line, and we also have

Corn Shellers, Tank Heaters, Hog Waterers and Feeders.

We handle Oils, Greases, Gasoline and Kerosene. We have one International Motor Truck which we will sell at a big discount.

Come in and see our store. You are always welcome, whether you trade or not. Make our store your headquarters while in town.

RISE & FURUSETH

Phone 85 Dealers in Implements

WINTER IS HERE

Are you prepared for it? Have you laid in your

COAL?

We have plenty of it to supply your needs. Are your buildings tight and warm? We have the

LUMBER

You need to fix your sheds, barns, hog houses and your own house. ALL KINDS OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

If we haven't what you want, we can soon get it for you, and we guarantee that you will get *"Right Materials at Right Prices."*

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M. H. HANSON, Manager

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BELMOND, IOWA

ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice Is Hereby Given, That a plat and schedule have been prepared by the direction of the town council of the incorporated town of Belmond, Iowa, showing the assessments proposed to be made for and on account of the cost of the construction of paving on the following named streets and parts of streets, viz:

Spruce street from the east end of the bridge crossing the Iowa river, thence east to the east line of the right of way of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad company.

Main street from the west end of the bridge crossing the Iowa river, thence west to the east line of Clark street.

Race street from the north line of Main street, thence north to the south line of Washington street.

Filbert street from the north line of Railroad street, thence north to the south line of Lincoln street.

Market street from the north line of Railroad street, thence north to the south line of Lincoln street.

Union street from the north line of Spruce street, thence north to the south line of Greeley street.

Greeley street from the east line of Union street, thence west to the west line of Union street.

All in the incorporated town of Belmond, Iowa, against the privately owned property assessable for said improvement, which assessments have been so made according to law as to include one-half of the privately owned property between the street improved and the next street, whether such privately owned property abut upon said street or not and against the railway and railroad companies whose tracks are located thereon, the said plat and schedule showing the separate lots and parcels of ground proposed to be assessed for the said improvement, and the names of the owners thereof so far as known and the amount to be assessed against each lot or parcel of ground and each railway and railroad company whose tracks are located thereon, and that said plat and schedule are now on file in the office of the Town Clerk of the incorporated town of Belmond, Iowa, and that within twenty days after the first publication of this notice, all objections to such assessments or to the prior proceedings on account of error, irregularities, or inequalities must be made in writing and filed with the said clerk. Any objections not so made will be deemed waived.

You are further notified that the Town Council of the Incorporated Town of Belmond, Iowa, will meet at the Town Hall on the 20th day of December, 1919, at 7:30 o'clock P .M. of said day for the purpose of considering said objections and for the purpose of taking final action on said assessment.

Date of first publication, December 3, 1919. GUY J. BYERS,

Town Clerk.

NOTICE.

On account of the coal shortage the office of the Town Clerk has been removed to the State Bank of Belmond. Those wishing to ascertain the amount of their paving assessment may find plat and schedule at above named bank.

3-2t GUY BYERS, Clerk.

Notice to Lot Owners.

As the season of caring for lots in the Belmond cemetery has closed, we are requesting that those who have not paid for care of lots and anyone who knows themselves to be indebted to the Cemetery association, will you please call and settle at the State Bank or with the secretary, Mrs. A. C. Lienwein. The Cemetery association is under heavy expense in keeping the cemetery in creditable shape, and we hope that anyone interested will give this their immediate attention.

Splendid Cough Medicine.

"As I feel that every family should know what a splendid medicine Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is, I am only too pleased to relate my experience and only wish that I had known of its merits years ago," writes Mrs. Clay Fry, Ferguson Station, Mo. "I give it to my children when they show the slightest symptoms of being croupy, and when I have a cough or cold on the lungs a very few doses will relieve me, and by taking it for a few days I soon get rid of the cold." For sale at Adams Pharmacy.

Should Be Quarantined.

Many physicians believe that any one who has a bad cold should be completely isolated to prevent other members of the family and associates from contracting the disease, as colds are about as catching as measles. One thing sure, the sooner one rids himself of a cold the less the danger, and you will look a good while before you find a better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to aid you in curing a cold. For sale at Adams Pharmacy.

Subscribe for the Independent.

Among the Neighbors

LIGHT FOR MESERVEY

Our Neighboring City to Have Real Electric Lights Soon.

Meservey, Iowa, Dec. 4.—The electric light proposition for Meservey carried Monday by a vote of fifty-two to two. For bonding the town for $93,500 for same carried by a vote of forty-seven to five. All remains now is to vote the franchise on January 5th.

The Iowa Falls Electric Light company builds the line and furnishes the current. Much of the material is already on the ground for the inside wiring and fixtures. It is thot the lights can be installed ready to use by not later than February 1st.

Meservey bonds the town to back the company on the financial end of it, but the company uses the money for the proposition and takes care of the interest and retiring the bonds as they come due. The town acts practically as a guarantee for the bonds.—Hampton Chronicle.

Poor, deluded Meservey! Lights? From the Iowa Falls company? Sure; all the lights they want—but nothing to light 'em with. Belmond has lights, too, but it gets them from kerosene lamps and tallow candles, not from juice furnished by Iowa Falls. Put in your big electric light lines, Meservey; you are progressive, anyway; but, take the advice of Belmond, hang onto your little old kerosene lamps, for otherwise you'll be sitting in darkened parlors and trying to read by moonlight more than once.

NEWSPAPERS IN BAD WAY.

Shortage of Print Paper May Force Suspension of Publication of Many Weekly Newspapers.

There is no industry in the country which faces as critical a situation as the newspapers, especially those in the country weekly field. Since the close of the war there has been a gradual increase in the amount of paper used and there has been an increase production to a certain extent. But now the mills say that the supply is exhausted and that they must therefore raise the price of sheet print paper to 10¼ cents net at the mill, $205 per ton. The normal price to the publisher was $50 per ton.

Regardless of whom to blame for the condition, it exists, and the publishers who do not arrange to meet the situation in a business like manner will be forced out of business in a business like manner. The Eagle proposes to remain in business. We will save as much of our present supply as we can. It was our purpose to issue a 32 page Christmas number next week, Dec. 11th. We will now limit that edition to 16 pages and when the sixteen pages are filled with advertising and reading matter, we will except no more advertising and mail out what we have. The advertiser who gets his copy in early will be taken care of. The advertiser who brings his copy in on Tuesday or Wednesday will be disappointed. Next week's edition will be the trade extension extra and the dead line on advertising copy is Saturday evening, December 6th, at 5 p. m.

Take notice, and be governed accordingly.—Eagle Grove Eagle.

COAL SITUATION GETTING VERY SERIOUS

In Many Places Industries Are Closing Down on Account of Fuel Scarcity.

The coal situation at the present time is bad. In many places it is impossible to get fuel and many factories, business houses and homes are completely out. The railroad companies are using just any kind of coal that they can get and are pulling off trains every day on account of the lack of coal. So far the only train reduction that has taken place on the roads running thru here is the removal of half the freights on the Northwestern. The way the freights now run only every other day. On some roads however, a great many trains have been discontinued. The local situation is not alarming in the least. The Farmers Elevator has had coal on han dall the time and at present has quite a supply. Jones Lumber company have been getting several cars of coal recently and both firms have kept the local consumers well supplied. All who could laid in their supply early and so the situation here is very satisfactory.—Goldfield Chronicle.

Do You Enjoy Your Meals?

If you do not enjoy your meals your digestion is faulty. Eat moderately, especially of meats, masticate your food thoroughly. Let five hours elapse between meals and take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and you will soon find your meals to be a real pleasure. For sale at Adams Pharmacy.

NEW EXPRESS PACKING RULES

New Rules Go Into Effect December 10th and Provide Additional Safeguards for Merchandise.

Local shippers of express will be interested in the new express packing rules, similar to those required for freight movement, which are to go into effect on December 10th, and express shippers are being requested by the companies to prepare themselves for the new standards.

The new packing requirements which were recently approved by the United States railway administration were formulated to provide additional safeguards for merchandise sent by express. Heretofore shippers have been using all sorts of containers for express packages, but the new rules are expected to make the regulations uniform and thus provide business concerns with more reliable and speedy service.

Preparations are being made at all offices of the American Railway Express company, which is the agent of the government for handling the entire express business of the country, to put the new rules into effect on December 10th and to require a strict adherence to them after that date. The express officials believe that in this way shippers will be induced to pay greater attention to their packing methods and to turn their shipments over to the carrier substantially packed and clearly marked, so that with reasonable care on the part of the expressman, all traffic can be handled rapidly and with fewer chances of loss and damage in transit.

The rules recently promulgated will not permit the use of paper wrapping for packages of over twenty-five pounds, nor of ordinary paper boxes, wrapped or unwrapped, when the weight of the package is over that limit. For shipments over twenty-five pounds, wooden containers or containers of fibre board, pulp board or of corrugated straw board are required. The cartons must be made of materials or specifiied "test strength" similar to those required of the freight service and the containers must bear the stamp of the manufacturer, certifying that the material used is of strength required for the weight of the shipment carried in it.

The express regulations, although modeled on those of the freight movement, permit a wider latitude in the size of the carton used and carry a certain number of exceptions. Shippers who wish to acquaint themselves with the new express regulations are requested by the agents of the company to study Supplement No. 5 to express classification No. 26, in which these rules are embodied. The copies of these rules may be secured at the main office of the express company.

FIRE DESTROYS FARM HOME

Home of John and Belle Love Is Burned While They Are Away.

The farm home of John and Belle Love was destroyed by fire on Thanksgiving day. They were at the Chester Moe home for dinner when John noticed smoke escaping from the roof of their house. John, Belle and Chester immediately started for the Love home and at the same time a call for help was sent to town. When they got home the upper story of the house was all on fire. They were able to get out most of the furniture on the first floor, but their clothes and bedding which was upstairs, was all destroyed. They each own valuable fur coats, and they had worn them and they were saved. The house had been built a good many years, but was a good house and in good condition. The insurance carried on the house was only $1000 and there was but a small amount on the household goods. They will suffer quite a loss. They will live in the house owned by Mrs. Abrends of Garner until a new house can built. They have a tenant who has a family and lives in a tenant house on the farm, so that they will not experience nearly the inconvenience that most farmers would on losing a home at this time of year.—Garner Signal.

Walt Ramsay and family of Des Moines and Wallace Ramsay and family of Belmond, were here for Thanksgiving at the J. W. Ramsay home. Walt and his family went to Belmond Friday and remained there until Saturday when they went to their home in Des Moines.—Garner Signal.

The Bolwes-Billings elevator plant at this place was put up at public auction Friday afternoon and was bid in by E. H. Francis for $13,000. We understand that a farmers co-operative company is to be formed to operate it. This plant has two automatic dumps, two motors, and every thing is in first-class condition. The bins have a capacity of 35,000 bushels.—Corwith Hustler.

Read Wolle's ad.

Belmond Local News

Marjorie Flynn spent the week-end with her parents.

Mrs. Chas. Lucas of Kanawha, was a business caller here last week.

Will Parker went to Omaha last Saturday for a visit with friends.

The motor on the Great Western was ordered taken off last Saturday.

Thayner Bailey is spending his enforced vacation with the home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Trumbell are visiting the former's brother at Goodell.

J. A. Adams's father of Eagle Grove, spent the week end with his son and family.

James Libby has given up his work in connection with the several furnaces about town.

Miss Naomi Magor of Kanawha, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bullard last Monday.

Fern Trumbell and Nettie Benson came over Saturday from Kanawha where they are teaching.

W. Whittaker and family have moved into rooms over the Elite Cafe until a house can be secured.

Ralph Thayer has purchased the Joe Barry farm of 157 acres southwest of town, and will move on his new place next March.

Mrs. S. S. Wyand of Grand Forks, North Dakota, is making an extended visit with her sisters, Mrs. John Baker and Mrs. Wm. Nelson.

Mrs. Crist Sorenson, who has been quite ill the past few weeks, is reported as being somewhat better, and her speedy recovery is hoped for.

Philip McBurney is home from Coe college, which was recently closed because of the fuel situation. Philip is assisting in the Herald-Press office.

Mrs. Wallace Ramsay was invited to attend the M. E. missionary society meeting at Klemme last Thursday and gave a talk relative to missionary endeavor.

Mr. and Mrs. Albin Erickson of Norway township are rejoicing over the arrival at their home of a fine baby boy, born last week Monday, December 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Nelson are the parents of a fine eight pound baby boy, which arrived at their home last week Tuesday, December 2. Everybody is doing fine.

A baby was born to Mrs. Joe Moore of Carroll, Iowa, at the Steele hospital on Thanksgiving afternoon. The little one lived but a few days, dying the following Monday.

Oliver Busick, who has been at the hospital the past week or two suffering with typhoid, is not getting much better. A complication of lung trouble is hindering his recovery.

Ben Johnson has purchased two lots one block west of his present place of residence and will erect a house in the future. The lots formerly belonged to S. E. Enger.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moore, which was born Thanksgiving, died last Sunday. The parents have the sympathy of friends and neighbors in the loss of their little one.

Nels H. Fjelstad has sold his property on the hill and has gone to Wells, Minn., to make his home with his brother, Matt H. Fjelstad. This brother was in business in Belmond at one time.

Miss Edith Leinbach returned Wednesday from Cedar Rapids, Coe college, which she has been attending, has been closed because of the coal situation and will not reopen till after the Christmas holidays.

Fred Leinbach, who is attending college at Ames, sent word to his parents that the college would continue work till the end of the quarte rand would then close if the coal shortage was not relieved.

The annual M. E. bazaar held by the Ladies' Aid, will take place Saturday, Dec. 13, in the church parlors. A special feature will be hot lunches served all day. Do your Christmas shopping at the bazaar.

We want a correspondent in every town and village in this part of the county. We want to give our readers all the local happenings. Help us by doing your bit. Send for material.

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LET THERE BE LIGHT.

Patrick Henry's wild cry of "Peace! Peace! But there is no peace!" might very appropriately be parodied by Belmond folks to "Light! Light! but there is no light!" at least—or at best—there is light but part of the time. The well known and justly celebrated Iowa Falls Electric company, which furnishes Belmond with electricity—or claims to—has been operating lately in a manner much suggestive of the saying "Steady by jerks," or at any rate the jerks have been steady.

As a service, the Iowa Falls company is delivering a very fine gold brick; they get the gold, and you know who gets the brick. The inconvenience caused by the irregular and intermittant spasms of juice has been great to Belmond business concerns, not to mention the residences. The Independent ,operating its machinery by electric motors, has lost a fair sized day during the past week thru the power being shut off, no small loss as it requires every minute and a few over to get out the paper. Business contracts in Belmond will have to be changed to read "Not responsible for the acts of Providence—and the Iowa Falls Electric company."

And now comes the report that the juice will be shut off entirely, that the company is about out of fuel. Well, it might as well be a total eclipse as a partial one. The wise juice users will begin trimming the wicks and cleaning the chimneys on his old kerosene lamps, lay in a supply of candles; and prepare for a long hard winter.

Electric service in Belmond lately ain't; it just simply ain't. And why "ain't" it? We pay a-plenty for it; everytime the company has to buy another pole they kick the kilowatts up another notch. Other towns on other lines get service; is the Iowa Falls company so independent that we can do nothing about it?

It's a terrible strain on the nerves and religion to have the juice run dry when you need it the most. We heard one business man expressing himself in terms which might not get by the censor, but which surely qualified him for an honorable mention in the Sayings of Great Men. And now comes Meservey bonding itself for $90,000 or so to secure service from the Iowa Falls company. Prices are certainly high nowadays, but Meservey is paying the most for the least of anybody we have heard of yet.

It's a cinch that the ancient Greek guy who went hunting with a lantern for an honest man would have needed the lanthern if he lived in Belmond today; he couldn't have depended on the electric lights.

We suppose the minimum rate of one dollar per montth will continue to operate even tho the company doesn't.

HAVE A HEART!

"Do your Christmas, shopping early" has been worn to a frazzle by repetition for years, but nevertheless it still holds good ,and this year applies more strongly than ever before.

In this issue of the Independent appears a half page ad by the postoffice, containing a notice sent out by the government. Read it! The business hours have been placed from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Remember it! And then start out and Do Your Christmas Shopping Early! Have a heart! Remember that the shopping time has been cut down from six to ten hours a day, and the full Christmas rush must be taken care of by the clerks in half the time or less than usual. And that the post office force cannot get any mail of any amount out in the forenoon, but has to pile the whole thing into the afternoon hours, due to the removal of one-third of the trains. Get your Christmas parcels into the mail early. Do it now! In order to do it you must do your shopping early. Have a heart, people. Both clerks and postal force are overworked every Christmas, and with the additional hardships added this year you are only being decent by Doing Your Christmas Shopping Early. Have a heart!

A GOOD CHRISTMAS GIFT.

If you are sending a Christmas gift to a friend or relative who was formerly a resident of Belmond send the Independent for a year. It's an economical gift and practical one, one which will remind them every week of you and give them the news of the old home town. They will appreciate it, and like it; it will be something they want and can use. Give the Independent. It's a good gift.

Work and you'll keep warm.

THE TOTAL LOSS WAS—

Belmond has but very little fire protection. A big fire on a windy day would clean everything on the street built of wood There would be such a cleaning as the town never dreamed of.

The destruction of the Adams Pharmacy last week by fire demonstrated two things: that a windy day would have meant the burning of two blocks, and that the town is without adequate fire protection. Nothing but the sheet iron covering of the building saved a bigger fire and nothing but the lack of wind saved a $100,000 fire. For there was no water to fight the fire with. With the tank full three hose carrying a 75 pound pressure were working; when the tank was emptied the electric pumps failed to do more than put 30 pounds on two hose. The electricity shut down where would those 30 pounds, even,, have come from? At one time the streams were shut down to allow the pumps to catch up. The old steam system held three hose at 75 pounds pressure. The electric system will not keep three hose going full blast unless the tank is full. With the tank empty two hose at 30 pounds is the best it will do when there should be 75 pounds on.

There was several hundred feet of new hose on hand, but when the firemen went to couple it onto the old hose, it was too small. Why wasn't it tested out before?

Belmond has got beyond the bucket-brigade stage of fire fighting. The town needs a chemical wagon. It is the only logical thing to do. People on the hill have absolutely no fire protection whatever; the mains do not cross the river. With a chemical engine the hill would have first-class protection. More damage is caused by water than by fire nine times out of ten; a chemical engine would stop the loss to a very large extent. The business men of Belmond want a chemical fire engine; every thinking citizen wants it; why haven't we got it? It wouldn't cost over two thousand or so, mounted on a Ford truck, why not get it? One of the firemen told the writer that with a chemical engine he was positive the Adams fire could have been squelched at the beginning and the damage been negligable.

The fire company wants a chemical engine; the business men want it; the people want it; WHEN ARE WE GOING TO GET IT?

A RAISE IN RATES.

Beginning the first of the year advertising rates in the Independent will be raised to 25 cents a display inch for one insertion, and 20 cents each insertion of the same ad thereafter.

The Independent is making this raise because the cost of production has risen in the newspaper business like it has in every other, and an increase in income must be received to balance the increase in the out-go. Twenty cents an inch was the rate charged in Belmond four years ago, and costs now are somewhat different than they were then, yet no increase in ad rates has been made. The Independent feels that this small increase of five cents will meet with a favorable reception by the business men of Belmond. They will realize that the costs in their business has demanded a larger income, and that the same holds good with a newspaper. Five cents an inch is a small amount on each ad, but it helps out some when all the ads in the paper are considered.

Newspapers all over the country are increasing their rates; they must, if they are to continue in business. Paper has gone up in price from $50 to $200 in the past three years; labor has risen from one-third to one-half and more; rents, lights, power, everything connected with the business has followed the high cost of living. The income must be increased to meet it. The Independent intends to stay in business and give both its advertisers and readers the very best service possible.

HOW'S YOUR CHIMNEY?

One of the leading contractors of the city is quoted as saying that there are 500 chimneys here which need inspecting, and that at once. Is YOURS among them?

Do you know what shape it is in? Is it in need of repair? Are the bricks loose? It is rather cold now to prowl around on the roof looking down your chimney, but it isn't as cold as it would be if you were forced out into the snow some night by a fire caused from a defective chimney.

Inspect your chimney! Look it over thoroly. See whether you are running the chance of losing your home every time you fire up. A little care now perhaps will save a lot of trouble and worry later. Defective chimneys cause more fires than any other thing. How's YOUR chimney?

The Independent is the best advertising medium in this part of the country. We set the know how kind of advertisements. Try one.

SOCIETY NOTES

M. E. Missionary—

The Missionary society of the M. E. church were entertained by Mrs. Jos. Bohning last Thursday afternoon. The devotional was led by Miss Daisy Krapf and the lesson about China was presented by Mrs. F. E. Snyder. The official publication of this society is the "Woman's Friend" in which is given a list of questions relative to the lesson. It has been the custom of the local society to have a "Mystery Box" conducted by Miss Hazel Hembd and have these questions answered. This part of the lesson study had not been given for several meetings, but Miss Hembd decided, like many day school teachers, that she would surprise the members by a written examination. The questions were given out in a delightful humorous way and everyone awarded a prize of candy of the "lasting and lingering" variety. There were fourteen members present and delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Bohning. This missionary society has four divisions. The first, of which mention is made above, is in charge of Mrs. Ray Klemme, president; the second includes children between the ages of eight and fourteen; and the fourth consists of little folks under eight. As will be seen, by this complete and systematic plan, the M. E. church is doing a very extensive amount of missionary work. The second division called the "Standard Bearers" is in charge of Mrs. E. F. Bailey and meet at her home to make garments for Grenoble Orphanage in France. The third division is called the "King Heralds" and is a study club in charge of Mrs. Joe White. The fourth division of the M. E. Missionary society called the "Little Light Bearers" met at the home of Mrs. A. C. Lieuwein last Monday afternoon at 3:30. There were seventeen little ladies present. The topic, Africa,, was presented by the leader, Miss Hazel Hembd. The leader recognizes the effectiveness of visual instruction and had prepared a small hut made of grasses to illustrate the native African home. Pop corn was served at the close of the lesson.

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Americanization—

Several suggestions taken from the report of Mrs. O. M. Oleson of Fort Dodge as given in a pamphlet issued by the Federation of Women's Club, seem applicable to conditions to be found in our home town at present. Mrs. Oleson says of the women's clubs in Iowa to aid in the great movement of Americanization which is sweeping over our country should be directed along the simple and natural lines of neighborliness so that we may reach the foreign born woman in her home. Know where your foreign born neighbor lives and what her interests are. Does she attend any church or club of any sort? Cooperate with the schools in Americanization work. This means ourselves as well as our neighbors. Americanization should undertake to teach the duty of the host not less than the duty of the guest. We should do personal work in so far as it can be done in a tactful and natural way, beginning at our own doors if possible. If each one of the 20,000 women who belong to the federated clubs of Iowa can make a friend of one foreign born woman, think what it would mean to the beauty, welfare and safety of our state."

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Community Club—

Don't forget that the Community club meets earlier this month—on the 19th of December—instead of on the last Friday. As stated last week, every member and every one interested in helping others to enjoy Christmas, is asked to bring or send some small gifts to the meeting to be given to those who need a friend at the holiday time. Will you be that friend and help to gladden some little child by sending a simple toy? Many families in our locality are finding it difficult to provide necessities for their children at the present high prices, and so perhaps Christmas will not be very happy for them unless you help. Of course you intend to do so, but in the usual holiday rush, you may forget, so buy those toys today and send them to the club on December 19.

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Brotherhood—

The Brotherhood of the Trinity Lutheran church meet the first and third Thursdays of every month. This society has not been serving refreshments during the past summer, but at their last meeting, decided to serve coffee and one article of food at future meetings. They also voted to secure speakers occasionally to address the members for educational and spiritual benefit. This organization has quite a large membership and between twenty and thirty attend the regular gatherings.

Eastern Star—

The Belmond Chapter of the Eastern Star, No. 411, met last Wednesday evening and elected the following officers:

Worthy Patron—Earl Madsen.
Worthy Matron—Mrs. Frank Case.
Associate Matron—Mona Geolz.
Secretary—Daisy Cameron.
Treasurer—Mary Fitts.
Conductress—Gertrude Ely.
Associate Conductress — Lettye Pletch.

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Progress—

Mrs. W. W. Goetz entertained the Progress club at their regular Tuesday afternoon meeting. The topic for discussion was "Silk and Glass" as presented in the May number of the Geographical Magazine. The roll call was Current Events.

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D. S. S.—

Miss Alma Greenfield was hostess to the D. S. S. club at their last meeting. The evening was spent in fancy work and refreshments were served. Miss Minnie Johnson will entertain this club Monday evening of the present week.

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Kensington—

Mrs. Herman Schultz was hostess to the Kensington club last Wednesday. Twenty-four ladies were present. The next meeting will be the first Wednesday after New Year's day.

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Supper—

Mrs. Wolle's Division of the M. E. Aid gave a supper at the Wolle home on River street last evening. A charge of 25c was made and a goodly sum added to the aid funds.

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Card Club—

The Auction Bridge club met with Miss Miltner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rosecrans on Tuesday evening of this week. Light refreshments were served.

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Aid Society—

The Trinity Lutheran Aid society met in the church last Thursday for their regular business meeting. Mrs. Martin Hanson and Mrs. P. N. Amblie were hostesses.

Rosary—

The regular business meeting of the Rosary Society was held last Thursday in the basement of the library. After a social time enjoyed by all, light refreshments were served.

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Priscilla—

The Priscilla social club meet with Mrs. J. J. Flynn on Wednesday afternoon of this week.

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Chain of Ten—

Mrs. Underwood entertained the Chain of Ten this week.

Delphian—

The Delphian society met with Mrs. Odell last Monday evening. Mrs. Edge was leader and the topic for study was "Pericles."

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M. E. Aid—

The parsonage committee of the M. E. aid were instructed by the society at their last business meeting to purchase linoleum for the parsonage.

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CHURCH NOTES.

Epworth League Notice.

Owing to the fuel restrictions being placed upon the churches, the Epworth League will continue to hold its regular meetings at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. White, Jr., on Sunday at 7 p. m. The devotional topic for Sunday, Dec. 14, is "The Duty of the Church Membership," led by Miss Krapf, followed by the study class under the leadership of Mrs. E. L. Dickinson. It is earnestly desired that all members of the cabinet and league be present. Do not forget the place and time.

The Epworth League is planning on having another one of its "good times" in the form of a grab-bag social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hanson, Monday night, Dec. 15th, at 8 o'clock. Every Epworthian and friend of the league are cordially invited and requested to bring an article for the grab-bag not exceeding 25c in value.

"Challenge of the Cross," the sacred drama, which the Epworth league had planned to give the night of Dec. 14th, has been changed to the regular hour for preaching service the Sunday morning of December 21st, at the M. E. church. Let all keep this in mind and plan to attend.

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The Sands Memorial Church.

Rev. Henry F. Horton, Pastor.

The following are the services for Sunday, December 14th:

10:30—Morning service and sermon.

11:30—Sunday school.

Owing to the government orders concerning the coal situation there will be no more evening services until conditions become normal.

A very cordial invitation is extended to all to attend the services of the church.

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Immanuel Reformed Church.

A. H. Waalkes, Pastor.

Regular services ne xtSunday forenoon. Bible school at 9:20. The forenoon services will commence at 11:30. At this service we will have one of our own missionaries speak to us. He is the Rev. D. Cornelius Ruigh of Morioko, Japan. He is on his way back to his field of labor in Japan and is paying a short visit with relatives in these parts. He has promised to be with us even tho the weather be bad. We therefore would like to see a full house. Catechism class Saturday at 1 o'clock p. m.

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St. Olaf Church.

Visitation service will be conducted by Rev. H. C. Holm, president of the Iowa district, next Sunday, Dec. 14th, at 11 a. m. All the officers of the church are requested to be present, also the children. Service will begin promptly, as the president will make another appointment at 3 p. m.

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Trinity Lutheran Church.

Rev. Jensen, Pastor.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock a visitation service will be conducted by Rev. H. C. Holm, president of the Iowa district of our church. Officers, parents, and children of the church, please be present and on time. Afternoon service is held instead of the evening due to the coal shortage.

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St. Francis Church.

Rev. M. T. Eardley, Pastor.

High mass will be held Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Catechism for the children will be held immediately following, instead of on Saturday, on account of the fuel restrictions.

NOTICE.

The Belmond Cemetery association will hold a special meeting Friday afternoon at the State bank at 4 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

By Order of the President.

Card of Thanks.

I desire to thank all the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted me during the illness and death of my husband, and for the beautiful floral offerings. MRS. A. E. WALIN.

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Belmond Local News

Mrs. Wm. Guest is improving nicely at the hospital.

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Clarence Scott was a business caller at Mason City last week.

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Edward Ziska spent Sunday in Mason City visiting with friends.

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Father Barry of Webster City, visited his brothers and sisters here last Friday.

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Ray Brewer and Lawrence Gealow were business callers in Fort Dodge last Saturday.

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Charles Hunt, who comes from Dakota, is the present night clerk at the Hotel Case.

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Wm. Lester of Clarion, was a caller in Belmond with relatives and friends last week Saturday.

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Mrs. John Baker submitted to an operation at the Steele hospital last Saturday for gall bladder trouble.

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Messrs. Thos. Kalvig and Ole Swelland of Kanawha, were Belmond visitors last week enroute to Eagle Grove.

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Mrs. Ted Townsan visited her old home at Carroll, Iowa, going the day following Thanksgiving and returning Saturday.

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Ole Merstad went to Goodell Tuesday to visit friends. From there he will go to his former home in Austin, Minnesota, where he will spend the winter.

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Clarence Busick, son of Oliver Busick, is at the Steele hospital suffering from an attack of typhoid. He is the second one of the family to have this disease.

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Geo. Baxter was elected to fill the vacancy at the Olaf elevator at a meeting of the directors recently. The present manager, Geo. Thompson, has resigned, Mr. Baxter taking charge January 1st.

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The train service Tuesday was all out of kilter, owing to the snow storm the night before. No trains came thru in the forenoon except snow shovel crews. Geo. Hardwick, the government weather man, stated it was ten below zero Tuesday morning.

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE

Office of Superintendent Sixth Division, Chicago

THE POSTMASTER: December 6th, 1919

In preparation for the largest holiday in the history of the service, we had planned an increase in facilities by approximately one hundred per cent.

In lieu of these preparations, because of the coal strike and beginning December eighth, we find ourselves confronting a thirty-three per cent reduction in present train service, and which is to continue indefinitely. Even though the strike ended within the next few days, the train curtailment I am advised, would no doubt continue over a period of three or four weeks.

It follows therefore, the period from December 15th to 25th, the days in which heretofore all of our Christmas mailings have been handled, will find us without our increase as planned, but with a most serious decrease in train service.

With the above before you, let me urge for your favorable action a most vigorous campaign among patrons of your office, by bulletin and public press, with a view of securing an immediate mailing insofar as practicable, of all Christmas parcels.

R. S. BRAUER, Superintendent.

ROWAN DEPARTMENT

Sells Property.

Dr. William Gordon has exchanged his city property, including three residence houses, for a fine improved farm at Miller, S. D. The doctor will probably be in the harvest field next summer.

Sleighride Party.

The Freshman class of the high school entertained the Sophomore class Monday evening with refreshments at the school house and later a long sleighride with Joe McKinley, a Freshman, as the driver.

Mission Meetings.

Mrs. D. E. Harris entertains the M. E. Foreign Missionary society on Wednesday. Mrs. Ray Azeltine is leader of the mission study of hospitals and doctors in foreign fields. Mrs. Harriet Ballou leads the devotional part.

Methodist Bazaar.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid society will hold their annual supper and bazaar Saturday evening, Dec. 13th, in their church basement. A fine roast pork dinner will be served at 5:30 till all are served. The bazaar will be open all afternoon.

Christmas Programs.

Both churches are preparing Christmas programs to be given at the churches Christmas even. The Methodist program is under the direction of the Misses Aten, Linder and Esther Fowler.

The Congregational program committee consists of the Misses LaVonne Ballou, Faye Bingham, Mildred Duffy and Stella Emerson, with Mrs. Howard Box as pianist.

Short Locals.

The young ladies of the Methodist church have organized a missionary society and met with Miss May Virden Monday evening, with Miss Aten as leader.

Rev. J. W. Bonnell spent Wednesday visiting all the rooms of the Rowan consolidated schools. He reports that we have an excellent school this year, both instructors and pupils doing good work.

Miss Mabel Azeltine, who is taking a nurse's course at the M. E. hospital in Des Moines, spent the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Azeltine. Mabel is enjoying her work in the hospital.

Rowan is taking on the Xmas spirit and the merchants are decorating their windows suitable to the season.

The M. E. Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. F. M. Meyers Thursday afternoon.

The Congregational Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. J. W. Bonnell, tying two comforts.

Miss Emma Barker, who is taking a nurse's training course at the Congregational hospital in Des Moines, writes that she is enjoying her work.

Miss Susan Duffy, who teaches the Buckton school six miles south of town and who has been driving each day, is boarding this week at the Foster home.

Mrs. Guy Stumph and daughter, Garnet, were Dows callers between trains Tuesday.

Dr. W. N. Gordon was a Dows caller Tuesday noon.

Miss Inez Fowler went to New Hampton Saturday to spend the week-end with her friend, Miss Johnson; later going to Creston, Iowa, to teach in the Creston schools, where Miss Johnson is also a teacher.

Rev. Walter Friend, wife and son, Junior, are visiting at the parsonage home near Rowan. Rev. Friend is pastor of a Christian church near Vinten. Mrs. Friend is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Parlimen.

W. J. Azeltine and E. J. Azeltine were business callers a few days the past week at Cedar Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Box spent Thursday shopping at Hampton.

L. R. Fitz went to Chicago Sunday evening to attend the live stock show and also to take in the sights of the big city.

Mrs. S. B. Heath was a Clarion business caller and also visited her friend Mrs. Swartzendrone.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stumph spent Thanksgiving and the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cate at Anite. George returned home Sunday evening, but his wife remained for a longer visit.

Mrs. John Howard of Galt, transferred in town Thursday en route home from Coulter, where she has been spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Jack Hansen and family.

Miss LaVonne Ballou went to Dows Friday evening to attend Eastern Star lodge, and was the guest of her cousin, Miss Alice Kent, till Saturday noon.

Mrs. B. F. Hadley has been suffering with neuralgia in her face the past week.

Farmers are busy shelling corn and Joe Patton, Jr., who has charge of the elevator at the Rock Island has been very busy taking in corn this week.

Ralph Whitten, who is attending college, came home Monday to remain till January 1st. The college has been closed owing to a shortage in coal.

Miss Dorothy Pritchett spent a few days the past week with Dr. and Mrs. Ryan in Hampton.

Mrs. F. B. Sheldon has been on the sick list the past week.

Good old winter has arrived and the sleighbells are jingling and plenty of snow for sleighing.

Jordan Brinkman is assisting at the Fred Hackley cafe.

Mrs. J. F. Howell has been quite ill the past week. Dr. Sams of Clarion, was called Monday.

George Brooks is improving nicely since his recent operation. A trained nurse is caring for him.

Friends have received word of the safe arrival of the J. Brinkman and Dan Whitten families at Long Beach, where they are comfortably situated and are delighted with Sunny California.

Miss LaVonne Ballou spent the past week at the F. N. Tibbitts home at Galt. Her grandmother, Mrs. Emily Ballou, who has been ill since Sept. is some better at this writing.

OLAF

Misses Etta and Ruth Olson of Ft. Dodge, were guests at the E. N. Ericson home Thanksgiving.

John Marshall of Iowa Falls, spent Thanksgiving at the S. O. Windecker home.

We are glad to note that P. O. Eliason, who has been taking treatments in Minneapolis at the Olson hospital, came home Wednesday much improved in health.

A. B. Ericson and wife rejoice over the arrival of a baby boy, which the stork delivered at their home Dec. 2.

The snow has caught a good many acres of corn in the field.

Carlton Johnson and family are enjoying a visit from two nephews from South Dakota.

Sales have been quite numerous lately, hay and straw bringing the highest price. At one sale one-half of a small stack of straw brought $50.

The officers of the Farmers' Elevator company held a meeting Thursday to hire a man to take the place of manager, to succeed Geo. Thompson, who resigned. Geo. Baxter was hired to fill the position and will begin work January 1st.

Misses Mamie and Linda Lee were Belmond callers Wednesday between trains.

Miss Frances Anderson entertained a lady friend from Huxley last week.

GOODELL

L. W. Avery's sale went off O. K. He sold some very valuable stock. The family will move to town soon.

Mrs. J. E. Savogue is visiting relatives at Mason City this week.

Everything is moving nicely at our Goodell school. We have a fine set of teachers, the little scholars like their kindergarten teacher and the more advanced are pleased with the "Prof." and principal.

A new garage will be erected here this spring.

J. E. Savogue took a trip to Garner Friday morning.

Elmer Kenenberger was in Goodell Friday.

Mr. Toby and wife of Grand Junction visited their daughter, Mrs. Conwell, recently.

Leo Ahronkeil and wife are keeping house in the room west of the hotel.

Geo. Wolf of Ackley, who recently moved from Goodell is now proprietor of the Farmers' Elevator at Ackley.

Wm. Knisley rode 15 miles to attend Odd Fellow lodge at this place.

Miss Mordel Avery visited friends in town Friday.

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BAN PLACED ON SUNDAY SHOWS

Council Passes Ordinances Forbidding Theater Opening and Base Ball Games on Sunday.

Eagle Grove Eagle: At the meeting of the city council Monday evening the ordinance placing the ban on Sunday shows was passed by a vote of four to two and on Sunday base ball, five to one.

Councilmen Johnson, Uhr, Armbruster and Braken voted in favor of the theater closing ordinance, and Councilmen Thebiay and Wehrheim voted against them. On Sunday base ball, all voted for the ordinance prohibiting the games except Councilman Thebiay.

Popular Vote Voted Down.

Preceding the consideration of the ordinances Councilman Thebiay offered a resolution to put the entire matter to a vote of the men and women of legal voting age, and to be financed by means outside the city treasury. The vote to be taken to determine what the people wanted done in this matter. The resolution was voted down, four to one, Braden, Johnson, Uhr and Armbruster voting no, and Wehrheim and Thebiay voting yes.

Both Sides Heard.

When the ordinances were called up for their final reading, Rev. Seward requested to be heard. He asked that the ordinances be passed. He stated that he represented the highest moral element of the city. That he was a fan himself, both baseball and movie, under proper auspices. He noted that the merchants and other business institutions were not represented, they were satisfied with the six day week. He called attention to the petition with between 800 and 900 signers asking that the ordinances be passed. He charged that the agitation for the Sunday show did not originate with the local management, but that they were urged into opening up by the film proiucers. He argued his entire case on the moral standpoint, or Sabbath desecration, quoting from Nehemiah, principally, to prove that the commercialized Sabbath had no biblical justification, hence no standing in a morals court. He quoted Roosevelt along the lines that the strength of the United States was not in her army and navy but in the moral integrity of its young people. He closed by stating that the question for the councilmen to decide was one of preserving the Sabbath.

Rev. Severtson Talks.

Rev. Severtson maintained that to pass the ordinance was a step toward higher Christianity, that not to pass them was a step backward toward paganism. The pagan disregards the laws of God, the Christian does not. We chose Christianity. Even Ingersoll, the great atheist, did not choose to live among pagans. He built himself a home in the shadow of a Christian church and among Christian people and his closest friends state that during his later days he acknowledged a belief in the existence of a Supreme Being. Rev. Severtson stated that he believed that regardless of the outcome of the vote, that each member of the council had the good of the community at heart. That being true, he urged the council to vote for the Christian good of the community.

Rev. Tyler Closes.

The constructive argument for the ordinances was closed by Rev. Tyler. He stated he was reluctant to appear because of his high regard for those most concerned in the controversy. H econsidered that his duty as a Christian minister directed that he do all in his power to prevent the promised desecration of the Sabbath. He believed that a majority of the mothers of Eagle Grove looked with disfavor on the theatre opening on Sunday. He spoke of the spirit of restlessness that was prevalent today, also of the spirit of unrestrained extravagance, of the swing to merriment, and that there should be a restraining hand. He concluded by stating his belief that the passage of the ordinances was for the best interests of our community.

Attorney Henneberry.

The other side of the controversy was represented by Attorney J. W. Henneberry. At the outset Mr. Henneberry complimented the ministers on the spirit of fairness they had shown, on the lack of bitterness that had characterized the entire controversy. He suggested that Rev. Tyler was wrong in his fear of the swing toward merriment. He said the war had proved we were not giving toward innocent, clean, wholesome merriment, that proper amusements served as a proper safety valve for the emotions. As regards the commercialism charge raised by Rev. Seward, he asked why singe out baseball and the theater as against the ice cream parlor, the cigar stand, the drug store, the garages, the Standard Oil station? Why let these enterprises "commercialize the Sabbath" and say thou shalt not to the baseball player and the theater goer? He asked the council why did they have the right to say to this man, who cannot afford a limousine, "you cannot go to the theater on Sunday, but the man who can afford one, you can go to Fort Dodge or to Clear Lake and enjoy yourself as you see fit. You say to the man without a car, 'you cannot see a ball game in Eagle Grove, but if you own a car you can fill up your car at the filling station and go as far as you like." He argued that we should give the poor man the right to attend the theater or go to a baseball game on Sunday so long as he did not break any law in so doing. Sunday observance was a matter of conscience. If a man goes to church and worships his God in his own way, and regrains from committing a sin, he has properly observed the Sabbath. Who has the right to say to the great mass of people, you cannot enjoy yourself in your own way. All we ask is the right to keep within the law, in observing the Sabbath as we see fit, providing we break no law or disturb another's rightful observance of the holy day. Notice the cavalcades going to Elgan Lake every Sunday, also to Fort Dodge and Mason City. Many mothers signed the petition asking that the ordinances be not passed in order that their children might be kept at home and the temptation to go away a long distance removed. Your common sense will tell you to keep the children at home." Speaking for the management of the theater, the speaker said "he had the right to assure the council that the theater would not open Sunday evening if the ordinances wer enot passed. That they would give but one show at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon. In conclusion, Mr. Henneberry repeated his statement that if the council believed the poor man who could not leave the city had the right to enjoy his Sabbath in the same way the many did who could afford to go a long distance, they would kill the ordinances up for consideration.

Rev. Seward in Rebuttal.

Rev. Seward followed Mr. Henneberry in rebuttal. He took up a number of the points raised by Mr. Henneberry. He said he believed that the present management would not open Sunday evening if they stated they would not, but they might sell out, or another show start and the present management conclude to do otherwise. Regarding the cavalcades going to Clear Lake, he stated that since the movie opened Sunday afternoon, the cavalcades were coming to Eagle Grove as was shown by the number of cars to be seen on Broadway every Sunday afternoon. Those who did journey to Clear Lake and other placess for Sunday amusement would in their turn have to stand before a higher tribunal and account for their acts.

The meeting of the council was remarkable in many ways. There was no bitterness, no vindictive remarks, nothing said that could be taken as a personal affront by either side. Yet both gave the strongest, and most able presentation of their case possible. There was excellent debate and excellent debating tactics on both sides. They were there to win if possible; to win honorably, and in the open. It appeared that each side wanted to keep what it had, and if possible win more. Points that could not possibly be met were ignored by both sides. Points that were answerable were met squarely. Rev. Seward granted that Mr. Henneberry was right in suggesting that it was unfair to single out baseball and the movies. Mr. Henneberry granted all that the minister had to say regarding proper censorship of the movies. Back came the elder with the statement that the film companies had spent $200,000 to keep the state censor out of Kansas. Attorney Henneberry's argument was masterful, courteous, and fair at all times to the opposition. And the ministers were equally considerate of their opponents. Both sides wanted to keep what it had and get as much more as possible. The few who were present should count it as a good and profitable day to listen to hear this discussion. The Eagle congratulates the worthy ministers on the spirit of fairness and good will that prevailed. This is meet and fitting among people who will continue to live together in this community as neighbors and friends.

The Lost Is Found.

Last Thursday night Glen Hemmo received a box of his personal effects from France. Last summer when Glen went up to the front lines, he sent the box back and lost track of it from that time on, hearing no more about his possessions until it arrived Thursday night. Upon opening the box he found inside a large package of foreign tobacco which he declares is not his. The supposition is that when the box was opened for inspection, the package was placed there by mistake. Somebody is waiting longingly for a smoke.

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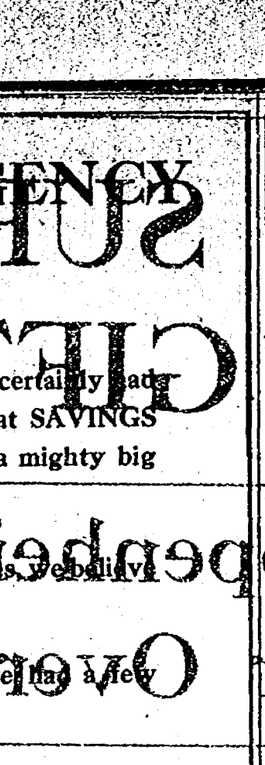

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SCHOOL NOTES

A VISIT TO THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

(Written by Elma Stapley)
Seventh Grade

The Hawaiian group consists of a chain of nine islands in the Pacific ocean, nearly seven hundred miles long and containing forty volcanoes. The group was ceded to the United States as a result of the war with Spain in 1898.

Sylvia Cousins and I made the trip last winter for pleasure and it was a pleasure indeed. We left San Francisco and were five days on the water before we reached our destination, and many of the travellers were seasick, my cousin among them.

On the fifth day we come in sight of land and were not long in making the harbor. Boats were lowered and we were taken ashore. We found ourselves in Honolulu, the capitol and largest city of Hawaii. We were very much surprised to find it is much the same as an American city. The traffic is well regulated and order is kept. The population was originally Maylayan, but now there are many other nationalities.

Japanese form the greater part of these. On the streets we meet Japanese ladies with their babies strapped upon their backs. Many are occupied in making Leis with paper flowers; also much basketry and painting is done. On the streets we meet the vegetable man with his array of fresh products.

We walked on and the Honolulu capitol came into view. Other sights met our eyes such as the statute of King Kahameha and a beggar who believes he will come to life, at which we laugh. We also viewed the mission memorial erected there in 1819, the Bishop museum and the normal school, where the Hawaiian child learns his three R's. The home of the last of royalty, a queen, still stands, and we begin to imagine a fairy-tale: the queen living among the tropical growth and in the beautiful house. The botanical park affords much interest to the traveler, and my cousin and I spent many hours herein. The mountains looked very splendid, but we missed every chance to go to them. We saw many trees, but the most beautiful and the strangest by far was the Banyan with its many roots and branches and its luxuriant shade. The bathing beach was a pleasure for which never lost its charm. The beautiful homes were also very amusing an ddelightful and we had a most pleasant time at several where we were introduced by our friend, a Hawaiian school teacher.

We came home wiser and laden with souvenirs, thinking to ourselves that the United States may well be proud of her sister possession and that she did well to rescue her from the crushing heel of the cruel Spaniard.

VESPER SERVICE

On Sunday, December the 14th, at 3:30 in high school auditorium, there will be a Vesper service of old Christmas songs, given by the children of the school. Everyone is urged to come out and enjoy the songs and carols.

The first Christmas hymn ever sung was sung by the angels to the shepherds on the plains of Bethlehem, and ever since that time, hymns of praise and glory have been sung at Christmas time. At first these songs were sung only by the priests, led by their bishops, but later by the minstrels and troubadours in France, the minnesingers in Germany and the gleemen in England; and finally by the humble village folks. It is some of these old songs that the children will sing.

Program.

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing.... Mendelssohn
Wassail Song.....Traditional
Girls of 7th and 8th grades.
Cradle Hymn.....Luther
Seven girls from 1st grade.
Christmas Carol.....Gaynor
Shine Out, O Blessed Star.....Traditional
Second grade.
The First Nowell.....Traditional
Fourth grade.
Angels and Shepherds.....Bohemian Carol
All Through the Night.....Welsh Air
.....Old English
Girls' Glee club.
God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen.....Traditional
Sixth grade.
Ye Shepherds Awake.....German Folk Song
There's Song in the Air.....Harrington
Third grade.
Good King Wenceslas.....Traditional
Fifth grade.
Solo—Selected.....Lucile Randall
I Saw Three Ships.....Old English
Silent Night.....Franz Gruber
Double mixed quartette.

Mrs. Amy Peterson Writes.

In a recent letter to one of her former pupils, Mrs. Amy Peterson of Glendale, Arizona, writes some interesting items regarding the recent floods in that place. Her letter reads in part:

"Both Mr. McRuer and I read with great interest all the news of the B. H. S.. as it appears in the papers. When I came down here, I came off and deliberately left all of our rain togs at home, thinking it never rained here. I had a rude awakening last week for we almost had floods and all kinds of disasters. As we are in a valley, usually a very dry one too, we get just trorrents of water down old stream beds when it rains in the hills. One stream cut us off entirely from Phoenix one day last week, just took possession of the roads and fields and everything for twenty-four hours and then it disappeared as suddenly as it came down and the autos went through an almost dry land. On Thanksgiving day we had a snowfall. Of course the flakes melted as soon as they fell, but it was a curiosity to the children who had been born here. The weather bureau announced that it was the first bit of snow that has fallen here since 1897. I think it must have come to keep us easteners from getting lonseome on Thanksgiving. The owners of orange groves were worried but as yet have not read that the crop is ruined, although that will undoubtedly be the excuse for the high prices in the east. I expect to spend my Christmas vacation in California with Pauline's grandparents, the Peterson's'"

Mrs. Peterson closes with personal questions about several high school pupils and adds: "I hear, too, that Mae and Archie have had to promise to reform in the matter of gum-chewing and kindred offenses."

Bob Party.

The Senior class had a bob party Saturday night. All attended the basketball game with Alexander first and then had their party. About 10:30 the class drove out to the home of Shirley Thompson about 4½ miles west of town and there had an oyster stew. The committees were as follows:

Transportation — Preston Tyrrell, Howard Luick, Herbert Nelson.

Entertainment — Laura Maitland, Marjorie Purcell, Bessie Quigley.

Refreshments — Luella Christie, Shirley Thompson, Clara Johnson.

The party dispersed at 12 and every one enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

A Few Good Mottoes.

Here is a motto to boys and girls of all ages as given by Mrs. Wilson of the Study Center. Mrs. Wilson said she found it written upon the blackboard of every school room in a school which she visited in Kansas City. How many will learn it and practice it every day?

"I will be square with my mother at home; I will be square with my teacher at school; I will be square with my fellow playmates; I will play square and be square all the time."

School Calendar

Dec. 12—Basketball. Garner at Garner. Boys and girls.

Dec. 19—Basketball. Belmond at Goldfield, girls and boys.

Dec. 21—Basketball. Goldfield at Goldfield. Boys and girls.

Jan. 9—Basketball, Dows at Belmond.

Jan. 16—Basketball, Clarion at Belmond, girls and boys.

Jan. 22—Lecture, Louis Gerhardt Concert Co.

Game Postponed.

The basketball game scheduled with Dows for Friday night was called off because of the lights. There will be a game with Dows, however, some time this winter.

The Senior class have received their class rings.

Daniel Leitz has been absent for a week and is now back to work in the Third grade.

A new pupil, Esther Leitz, from Lincoln, Neb., has entered the Belmond schools.

There were movies Friday afternoon as usual in the auditorium. Anyone caring to attend the movies are welcome to do so.

Mr. Ray Klemme visited school Thursday. Hoyt and Randall Klemme leave our school here for a time. They left for California Friday night, where they will remain some time.

In last week's school notes there was an announcement made that there would be some more candidates in initiation this year, but it has been decided that there will be in initiation.

When we have basketball games at home we want everyone that can to attend them, but when they are out of town and it is necessary for the team to go by train, the school does not sanction it that pupils go when it is necessary to stay over night.

A short program was given Wednesday afternoon at assembly period. The program was as follows:

Piano solo—Zola McGuire.
Reading—Ester Hardwick.
Current Topics—Marjorie Williams.

These were all good and appreciated by all pupils and teachers.

The second team of the high school played a basketball game with the Junior high school bos and the score was 10-5 in favor of the high school bos. In the game good team work was shown and the future high school plaers showed the pep and enthusiasm.

Some excellent essays have been written by the Political Economy class in high school. The topics were chosen by Mr. Desing, teacher, and we want you to watch, as some will appear in the school notes soon. These topics have all something to do with economics and are all very interesting. Outside work like this adds interest to the class.

Some of the little folks have so far to go to school that way has been provided for them that will make it much easier. The following children have been changed from morning session of the kindergarten to afternoon session: Myrtle Johnson, Joe Zeigler and Helen Johnson. And the following have been changed from afternoon session to morning session: Lois Lienbach, Helen Meyer, Bernice Clark and Merlin Buchanan.

The high school senior class has decided to get out an Annual, and has elected as Annual officers the following students:

Editor in chief—Bessie Quigley.
Business Manager—Preston Tyrrell.
Treasurer—Herbert Nelson.
Humorous editor—Beatrice Leavy.
Athletic editor—Carl Wenzel.
Social editor—Bert Trumbell.

Porf. Fyler and Miss Hammond were chosen as faculty advisors.

A WORD TO PARENTS.

Because of the ruling of the fuel administrator regarding the heating and lighting of buildings, the organization and community night at the high school gym was postponed until such time as the restrictions are raised. Notice will be given in the school notes of the next date set for organization.

Many of our pupils are not doing their school work as efficiently as they should, chiefly because of the lack of preparation. Every pupil in the high school and in the 7th and 8th grades should do home study, and we ask the parents to co-operate with the teachers and make it their business to see that each pupil spends at least one hour each night in faithful study. Some pupils think home study is unnecessary, but if any of you, parents, are in doubt regarding its importance, I shall be glad to have you call at the office and we will go over the child's record for the past 14 weeks together, and then let you decide. Home study does not mean that the pupil takes a book home and leaves it on the library table until he is ready for school the next morning, nor that he may sit with the open book on his lap for an hour or so with an occasional glance at it and carry on a conversation with the other members of the family, but it mean scondentration upon the lesson to the exclusion of all other things. Be fair with the child and see that all the chores are done before he begins to study, then do not interrupt his study by asking him questions or by asking him to run errands.

There are several pupils who are treading on dangerous ground and only close application to their school work will prevent failure. Parents, we ask that you co-operate with us to help your child succeed.

E. S. FYLER.

Shipping Association Organizes.

The farmers of this vicinity met at the opera house Friday afternoon with County Agent Nutty and organized a live stock shipping association with the following officers: President, E. J. Schneider; vice president, A. C. Carpenter; directors, Wm. Dieger and E. T. Hetland. Owen Conwell was chosen as secretary, and W. F. Beier local manager. They will ship as often as cars can be secured and they have enough to ship. Stock will be shipped alike for members and non-members. The only difference is that in case you are not a member you are charged one dollar in addition to your prorata share and then you become a member. The association is fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Beier, as he has had considerable experience shipping live stock.—Goodell Globe.

BUSINESS PERSONALS

Big Whirlie Girlie Comedy at opera house Dec. 18.

Big Musical Comedy Revue will appear at the Belmond opera house next Saturday night, Dec. 15.

Miss Ida Tyrrell is keeping books for her father at the Cash Market. Miss Tyrrell is fortunate in thus possessing both a practical and artistic ability.

Pfaltzgraff of the Variety Store says lamps are so much in demand that he cannot supply all his customers. But he still has a few left and also has plenty of candles.

The Belmond Telephone company have drawn their 400-pair cable underground across Spruce street from the Belmond furniture store corner, and will soon have it connected up at the office.

Wright, of the firm of Johnson & Wright, was finding his way among his pots and pans and kegs of nails with a flash light, on one of the many "dark" evenings we have had recently. We suggested that he make a specialty of advertising flash lights.

It is said that the building which burned last week belongs to a preacher back east. We cannot understand the relation between a piece of valuable property and a preacher. Perhaps he may have been like an editor of whom the fact is told that he retired from business with a net property of $10,000. He explained that $9,999 had been willed him and the $1 was his savings.

Santa Claus—that good American that he is—this year has turned to Uncle Sam for his toys. In fact the pair of them have been working together for months and months for our American kiddies. They have planned and arranged and built really wonderful things. There are many original ideas, they are educational, the yare amusing. They are to be found in our local stores which blossom with Christmas greens and toys. Shop early to make the task easier for yourself and for the girl who stands all day behind the counter. Let this be the happiest and most thoughtful Christmas you have enjoyed.

The Belmond-Savings bank has started a Christmas banking club. The Christmas banking club provides a way for those of moderate and even small means to save money. It will teach thrift to both old and young by a systematic method of saving a specified sum each week. It makes it possible for a person to provide by small payments for insurance, taxes, interest or other obligations. By depositing a small amount each week it will amount to quite a nice sum at the end of the year. The one cent club will amount to $12.75; the two cent club $52.00; the five cent club $63.75, and the ten cent club $127.50, in addition to interest at 4 per cent. In connection with the Christmas banking club they have also instituted a weekly savings club, which is similar to the Christmas club that the account may be opened at an ytime and continued 50 weeks. The weekly deposits may be made in the same manner as in the Christmas club, or any stated amount may be deposited each week and draws interest at 4 per cent.

High class vaudeville and light musical comedy—the Big Musical Comedy Revue—the Whirlie-Girlie show comes very highly recommended by all the newspapers where it has shown. The cost is reported to be exceptionally stronger in comedy, featuring Maurice J. Cash, the great Hebrew comedian, and Jack J. Daly, Irish comedian, who is absolutely the best who has ever appeared here, as funny as you ever heard, and clever parody singers; also Sidney Fields, straight man, star movie actor and vaudeville star, and Bud McIntyre of eastern musical comedy fame with bell tenor voice in ballads and character impersonations, Theda Bernard, the French prima donna, singer and a violinist of exceptional merit. Miss Mildred Beck, a strong character woman, and Miss Beatrice Tollefson, violinist and soloist, who with Miss Bernard gives a duet of harmony and refinement. Music lovers don't miss this rare treat; and a dashing chorus of six classy girls with Miss Pauline Wadricka and Miss Marie Collins doing the ends. This is a clean, whirlie-girlie show, with music, song, comedy, dancing and drama. Big dance after the show with the show's orchestra for 55c. Prices for show 50c and 75c. Seats on sale now at Schultz's drug store.

R. A. RANKIN
MACHINIST AND ENGINEER
The farmer and stock feeder's paradise. See Wolle.

BUYS MOVIE THEATER

Joe Sampson to Locate at Ackley—Has Only Theater in Town.

Joe Sampson has purchased the moving picture theater at Ackley, taking possession by January 15th. Joe has purchased the only theater of the kind in town, and will have an unexcelled opportunity for making a great success. He will move to Ackley sometime during the fore part of January, holding a closing out sale of his farming goods on Jantary 6th. Joe will make a good movie man and will give Ackley an up-to-the-minute service in the picture line. His many Belmond friends wish him the success which they know will be his portion in his new business.

"BILL" WOLLE DOING FINE WORK ON COLLEGE PAPER

The Collegian Reporter, official school paper of Morningside college, was sent us this week. We are proud to note the name of William C. Wolle as businesss manager. The paper presents a very neat appearance and is filled with just the right sort of news to appeal to college students. Also a special supplement of foot ball items, illustrated by many cuts. The large number of ads testify to the efficiency of the business manager, "Our iBil." All honor to the lad who thus helps himself to get a college education. There are many like him and we wish there were many more to show the same spirit.

MARRIAGES.

Johnson-Eliason.

William Johnson and Mabel Eliason were married last Thursday, December 4th, at high noon, at the Lutheran parsonage, the Rev. J. M. Jensen officiating.

The groom is a relative of Mrs. Jacob Thompson, the bride a daughter of John Eliason of Norway township. The couple left on the afternoon train for Osakis, Minnesota, and other points for a visit with friends and relatives. These young people are both well known in their communities and have the best wishes of their friends for a happy wedded life. They will on their return make their home on a farm in Norway township, owned by the bride's father.

The Independent joins in extending the newly married couple congratulations and best wishes in their life together.

The miners demand of a six-hour day has arrived. But how about the five-day week?

WHAT WILL YOU GIVE FOR XMAS

THE IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFT

Is a good Magazine, something which will last the year thru, a weekly or monthly reminder of the giver. It is both

Economical and Practical

We can supply you with any periodical published and WE WILL SAVE YOU MONEY.

Every member of the family appreciates good reading. Give them a good magazine.

FOR FATHER—

SATURDAY EVENING POST.
COUNTRY GENTLEMAN.
AMERICAN MAGAZINE.

FOR MOTHER—

LADIES' HOME JOURNAL.
WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION.
PICTORIAL REVIEW.

FOR SISTER—

YOUTH'S COMPANION.
DELINEATOR.
LITTLE FOLKS.

FOR BROTHER—

AMERICAN BOY.
POPULAR MECHANICS.
ALL STORY.

GIVE A GOOD MAGAZINE FOR CHRISTMAS!

R. A. RANKINS
MAGAZINE AGENCY
Phone 115 or 196.

RED CROSS PLANS FUTURE WORK AT RECENT MEETING

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and children are hampered and distressed by ill health.

More women die in childbirth than of any disease except tuberculosis.

The community nurse is one of the best agents for the protection of life and health. Especially among the rising generation would her work be effective.

Gasoline Explosion Burns Man to Death.

Mrs. Geo. Brady received a telegram last week stating that her sister's husband, W. C. Sutherland of Eagan, South Dakota, had been fatally burned. The gentleman had gone into the basement to fix the furnace fire when a can of gasoline standing near exploded and burned him so seriously as to cause his death. Mrs. Brady's sister was also very badly burned when she rushed into the basement to ascertain the cause of the noise.

Miss Bock's Mother Dies From Pneumonia.

Friends of Miss Blanche Bock, county superintendent, are grieved to hear of the death of her mother at Dubuque on last Monday. Because of belated train service Miss Bock did not reach home until after her mother's death.

Fire at Farm Home.

A small fire occurred at the Helmer Hanson home one day last week, starting in some papers and caused by a lighted match being carelessly thrown among them. It was put out at once and the damage was negligible.

BELMOND LOCAL NEWS

Dr. Clegg occupied the pulpit in the M. E. church here last Sunday at the morning and evening services.

—I—

Fathers Nolan of Eagle Grove, and Torpley of Clarion, were visitors with Father Eardley last week Thursday.

—I—

Rev. Edge of the M. E. church is in Des Moines this week attending the Inter-Church meetings as a delegate from Wright county.

—I—

Father Eardley has been on the sick list the past few days, suffering with an attact of grippe. He is better, however, at last reports.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Dow of Alliance, Neb., are the happy parents of a fine baby girl, born Dec. 4. Mrs. Dow is a daughter of J. D. Walton of this city.

—I—

Mrs. Gus Johnson was a visitor at Hampton last week Thursday with her son Albin and family, who suffered the total destruction of their house and furniture December 1st.

—I—

Mrs. James Libby suffered a slight stroke last week Thursday, affecting her left arm and hand. This is the second stroke she has had, but fortunately it was not serious and she is recovering nicely.

—I—

W. I. Rosecrans went to Mason City Saturday to make reservations of traveling accommodations for the Church and Rosecrans families, who leave for California to spend the cold months.

—I—

Ben Johnson has purchased the Sampson residence, formerly owned by Charles Sampson of Ackley, and recently sold by him to his son Joe. Mr. Johnson expects to move in and make his future home in his new place.

—I—

Have you noticed how bright the lights burn in the Nordschow garage? No flickering, or stopping. Do you know the reason? Why? Because he uses the Lalley Light Plant. Always ready, always dependable, no going without ligths with a Lalley Light Plant. All users of lights will do well to investigate, especially farmers.

—I—

The Wm. Whittaker family have moved into rooms over the Elite cafe, until a suitable house can be secured. No furniture was saved from the fire except an electric stove. The sympathy of friends and neighbors goes out to this family in the loss of those personal treasures which every family holds dear, and especially to the little daughter who mourns for her "beautiful sleeping doll."

Notice to Lot Owners.

Please shovel the snow from your sidewalks, or we will have same done and assess the costs to your property.

M. C. BARRY, Mayor.

SCHOOL BOY WANTED—To work after school and Saturdays. No cigarette fiends or loafers need apply. Nordschow Motor Co.

GENERAL CHANGE OF TIME OF TRAINS.

Chicago Great Western.

North

No. 12.....2:48 a. m.
Motor.....9:24 a. m.
No. 16.....1:59 p. m.

South

No. 11.....1:29 a. m.
No. 15.....3:53 p. m.
Motor.....5:19 p. m.

C., R. I. & P.

Chicago, Dec. 4.

All Agents:

Orders were issued today to all federal managers of the three federal regions regarding the reducing of one-third in passenger tarin mileage for all trains using coal for fuel, to be effective on Monday, Dec. 8.

Advertisements will appear in tomorrow's papers in all the chief cities thruout the west giving public notice and urging passengers to avoid all unnecessary travel and particularly warning those who bought tickets in advance to check up before starting to make sure trains they intend using are running.

The Rock Island will annul two trains which now pass through Belmond, as follows:

Train No. 435 west at 8:15 a. m., annulled.

Train No. 436 east at 6:40 p. m., annulled.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—Riverside air-duct soft coal heater, medium size, guaranteed in good condition. Reasonable price. Guy Baker, Belmond.

FOR SALE—One pair of light bobs and one pure bred Duroc Jersey stock hog. A. W. Martin. 3-2t

FOUND—Two auto cranks. Owners can have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Nordschow Motor Co.

WHEN IN CLARION, DON'T FAIL TO VISIT THE

Candy Kitchen

AT THE
MOORE HOTEL CORNER,
WHERE ALL KINDS OF

Home-Made CANDIES

MADE DAILY

AS WELL AS
LIGHT LUNCHES AND ALL KINDS OF HOT AND COLD DRINKS CAN BE HAD.

DON'T FAIL TO LOOK OVER OUR CHOICE STOCK OF

CHRISTMAS CANDIES

HANDSOMELY BOXED AND IN BULK

BEING ONE OF THE CHOICEST SELECTIONS FOUND IN WRIGHT COUNTY AND AT PRICES MEETING ALL COMPETITION.

WE WOULD ALSO STATE THAT WE ARE CATERING TO MANY CHURCH, SCHOOL, AND OTHER SOCIETIES FOR THEIR CHRISTMAS CANDIES.

PLEASE MAKE OUR CANDY KITCHEN YOUR HEADQUARTERS WHEN IN CLARION, AS YOU WILL BE CERTAINLY WELCOME.

Preftake Bros
CLARION, IOWA

THE SUPREME GIFT

A Kuppenheimer Suit or Overcoat

Santa Claus Says:

Carlston & Skovlin's new clothing store is the place for people to do their Holiday Shopping

The Men's Gift Store

Our store is truly a men's and boys' gift store, as we have just the things that they want, the things that are useful and pleasing.

COME EARLY

and make your selection from our stock of Men's and Boys' Christmas goods. Select your gifts and we will mail them and enclose your card. We invite you to make our store your headquarters.

Carlston & Skovlin

The Men's Christmas Store

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RED CROSS CHRISTMAS SEALS NOW ON SALE

National Tuberculosis Association Asking For Funds to Fight White Plague.

Veterans of the world war evince a keen interest in the fight against tuberculosis—a personal problem with many of them as shown by the military records.

Official support of the Red Cross Christmas Seal campaign is announced by the American Legion, which adopted resolutions to that effect at the national convention at Minneapolis recently. The Pennsylvania convention passed similar resolutions in October endorsing the campaign for more than $6,500,000 by the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals, which began December 1,, under the auspices of the National Tuberculosis Association.

In placing the American Legion on record as enlisting in the crusade against the White Plague which claims 150,000 lives yearly, the sponsors of the resolution called attention to the fact that, according to draft figures, enough men to comprise nearly three divisions, were marked as unfit for military duty.

The resolution read as follows:

"Whereas, The fighting and working efficiency of the nation depends upon the public health, all organizations whose efforts minister to healthier manhood and womanhood deserve the support of the members of the American Legion.

"Especially mindful of the ravages of tuberculosis, as revealed not only by the military records, but by the statistics from civil life, we commend the work being done by the nation, state and county anti-tuberculosis associations. We therefore commend to our membership and to the public the campaign to promote the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals and pledge our support to the efforts being made to eradicate the White Plague."

If Wright county is to be among the leaders in the Red Cross Christmas Seal campaign in Iowa it will be necessary for the local communities to get busy and exceed the 10 seal per capita standard by a considerable amount.

Reports received by the local seal sales management from state headquarters are that the sale is progressing splendidly all over the state, and that if each county does its share, anti tuberculosis work can be carried on in every county next year upon a scale never before attempted.

If an average of ten seals per capita is reached, 70 per cent of the proceeds will be expended right here in public health work, such as free tuberculosis clinics, public health nursing, aid of tuberculosis patients, and improving of housing.

The seal sale offers an excellent opportunity to finance local work of this kind,, and this county and city should be among the leaders.

Seals are on sale at the following stores; Goetz, C. G. Johnson, Bohning, Jacobson, Greenfield, Schultz, T. B. Wallace and all the banks.

Sugar Factory Directors Held Meeting Here December 9th.

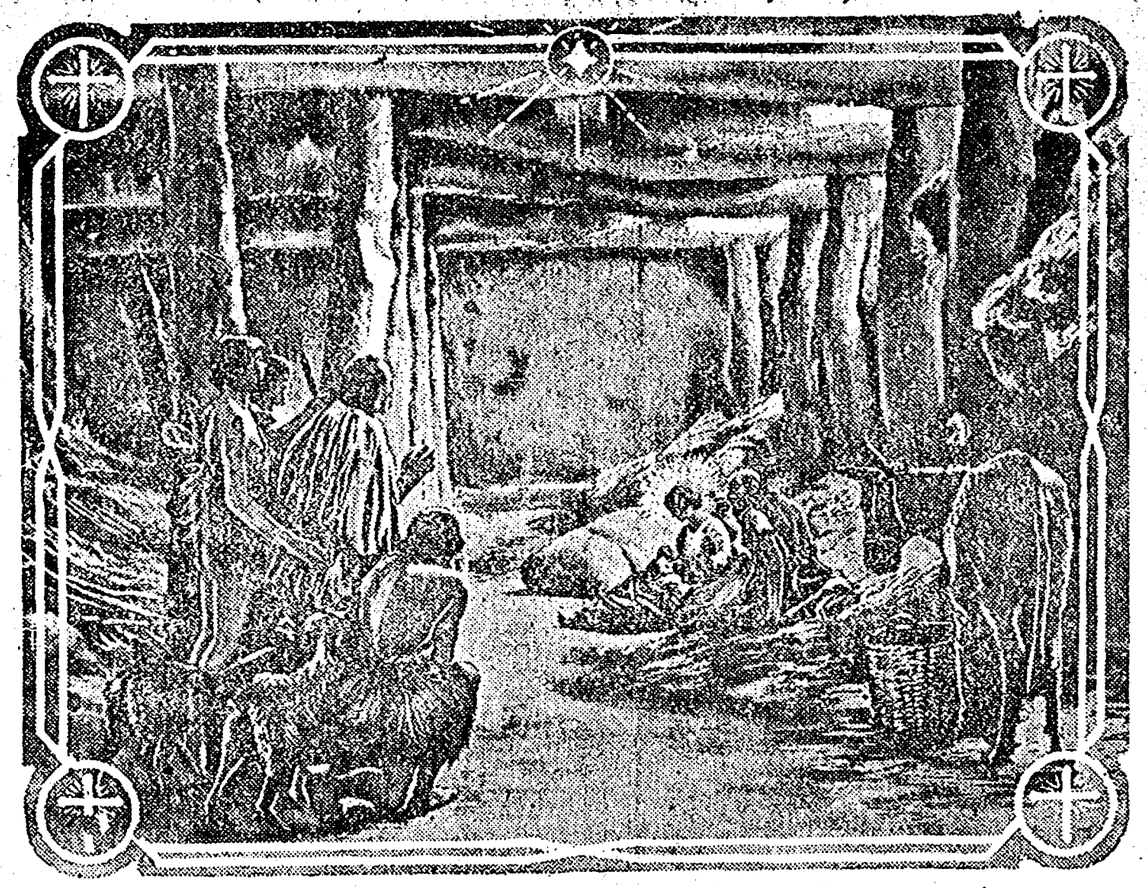
A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Iowa Valley Sugar company was held at the State Bank of Belmond on Dec. 9th. Those present were: Pres. C. T. Fenton, Chaska, Minn; Benj. Stout, Bay City, Mich; Rudolph Otto, Saginaw, Mich; A. L. Luick and W. C. Tyrrell of Belmond

The following day Mr. Tyrrell entertained the board at his home.

THE BEST—

For the least for Christmas is the Belmont Independent. It is the ideal present for the friend or relative who was once a resident of this city, or who is at all interested in the old home town. Clubbing offers that will interest you can be had on any magazine or newspaper published.

Little Babe of Bethlehem



When sang the stars together
In the morning long ago,
The little Babe of Bethlehem
Slept in a manger low.
Wings of myriad angels swept
The trembling mists of morn,
When He who was Prince of them
In Bethlehem was born.

A king, and yet no diadem
Upon His brow to rest;
He had no pillow for His head
But His own mother's breast;
His palace was a stable,
Bare of knight or paladin,
When Christ the Lord of Heaven
Came to free the world of sin.

His eyes were soft as summer skies,
His brow as white as snow;
And round His head a halo shone
Like sunlight's golden glow.
But, He lay an outcast, hidden
From Herod's cruel harm—
The Lamb of God that nestled
Upon His mother's arm.

O little Babe of Bethlehem,
I see Thee sleeping there,
Thine eyes as deep as summer skies;
Thy brow so white and fair;
Again I see in wonder kneel
The shepherds of the fold,
The Magi with their gifts of myrrh
And frankincense and gold.

I see Thy mother Mary,
As in awe her hands caressed
Thy hallowed head of glory
Where it laid upon her breast;
I hear the crooning lullaby
That she so softly sings,
While Thy dear arm is round her neck,
Where tenderly it clings.

Far were Thy feet to wander
To seek the cruel tree,
And harsh the hands that waited
With their crown of thorns for Thee,
But Thou hadst that one happy hour
Of peace and joy and rest,
When Thy head was lain in Bethlehem
Upon Thy mother's breast.

John S. M'Groarty.

NAVY RECRUITING OFFICERS TO BE HERE DECEMBER 17-19

Opportunity Will Be Given to Enlist in the Many Departments

Joseph W. Wood, gunner's mate, first-class, advance man for the navy recruiting party, was in our office Friday last and asked to have public annuoncement made that the recruiting party would be in Belmond on December 17, 18 and 19,, with headquarters at the post office.

Men can enlist between the ages of 18 and 35.

Men can enlist for 2, 3 or 4 years and be sent to any of the following naval training stations:

Newport, R. I.
Hampton Roads, Va.
Great Lakes, Ill.
Mare Island, Calif.

Special inducements are given experienced carpenters, joiners, metal workers and gas engine men for the aviation branch of the service.

Special inducements with an increase of $7.00 per month are also offered honorably discharged navy men.

CHRISTMAS

The Independent is filled this week with Christmas advertisements. It will pay you to look them over carefully, for you will find in them the best posiblo suggestions for Christmas gifts. Belmond merchants have a varied stock of goods on hand, from which you can take your pick.

GOODELL HAS SECOND FIRE

Goodell had its second fire within a week on last Friday night. On Tuesday night of the same week, seven business buildings were destroyed. A part of a stock of groceries and meat was removed from one of the buildings last Tuesday and placed in the hardware store. On Friday night, about 10:30, another fire was discovered in the rear of this hardware store.

The hardware store and a drug store, occupying a double building, also the empty White store and the White dwelling were soon in ashes. All the business houses except the new bank are now gone from the north side of the block.

The telephone office was destroyed in the first fire and a switch-board which had been borrowed from the Western Electric company of Mason City and was partly installed, was destroyed Friday. Some of our local telephone men, Porter and Nelson, were so unfortunate as to have their tools burned in the fire Friday.

Red Cross Officers Elected.

The Red Cross met in the library basement last Wednesday afternoon and voted to re-elect the former officers to serve for the ensuing year:

Chairman—Mrs. McBurney.
Treasurer—John Berg.
Secretary—Maye Tracy.

Mrs. Ward Martin, Mrs. Earl Martin and C. C. McGuire with the officers, will constitute the executive committee. This committee will appoint all other necessary committee.

PRIZE BUTTERMAKER.

Coulter Man Brings Home the State Prize.

Hampton Chronicle: Louie Anderson, buttermaker for the Hamilton Creamery company, at Coulter, won first prize as the best buttermaker in Iowa, in a large class of competitors at the recent state convention of buttermakers held at Dubuque. He has been awarded the gold medal given as the first prize.

The creamery at Coulter has an excellent reputation for the quality of the butter it produces, and has had such a reputation for many years, but it is quite an honor for any creamery in a town the size of Coulter to win first rpize on the quality of butter manufactured in competition with the best buttermakers in the whole state of Iowa. It is also an honor for Mr. Anderson, who bringss the honor to his home town and to the institution he represents.

Incidentally it should be remembered that all of Franklin county is honored in the award, as Coulter is one of the hustling towns of this county, and the folks located in other arpts of this county are proud of the honor that comes to the little town.

Decided to Join Tourist Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Avery decided to join the California touris party and left for the west on Monday.

FARM BUREAU MEETING AT CLARION HIGHLY SUCCESFUL

Every Township Except Two Sends Representative—Many New Members Being Taken In.

The county meeting of the directors of the Farm Bureau was held in Clarion Monday, Dec. 8, with a very large attendence, every township except two being represented. Earl Martin, Ralph Christie, and John Tiara were the representatives from Belmond township, and R. E. Lee Aldrich from Iowa township. Pleasant was not represented.

Mr. Middleton of Eagle Grove is president of the Bureau and gave a very inspiring speech in review of several speeches which he heard in Chicago while attending a convention devoted to the discussion of Farm Bureau aims and plans.

The Clarion meeting was given over to the explanation of the plan of conducting the present drive for new members, and to a discussion of the benefits of the organization and the plan of a national union of Farm Bureaus.

The state organization sent men to assist in the drive for new members. Two Messrs. Gilmore and Johnson were sent to Belmond township and report that they are meeting with remarkable success, in fact have been able to line up every farmer except one where calls have been made. A meeting of farmers was held in the city hall in Belmond last Wednesday and many new names added to the list for membership.

At the present writing, we have not been able to get reports from Iowa and Pleasant townships, but will be glad to make public their report if the directors will send them to our office. A more definite report of the numbers of members gained in each township will be given at the close of the drive.

KING SOLOMON LODGE A. F. AND A. M. HOLD RECEPTION

Large Number Attend and a Splendid Time Reported—Eastern Stars Also Represented.

One of the most enjoyable social events of the season was the reception given last Tuesday evening by King Solomon Lodge No. 210 and the Belmond Chapter of the Eastern Star No. 411 to honor those among the new residents who are members of either of these organizations. About seventy-five members and fifteen or more guests were present.

The earlier part of the evening was spent in a pleasant social chat and in meeting the new people. Various games and stunts added to the fun and general good fellowship, after which a short program was rendered.

Vocal Solo—Herbert Nelson.
Reading—Miss Hammond.
Piano Solo—Genevieve Rule.

Refreshments of cake, orange pudding and coffee were pronounced delicious by everyone.

These lodges are planning to hold several social affairs during the coming year.

MARRIAGES

Peters-Schalgel.

The community had a surprise in the way of a wedding last Thursday, when Ernest Peters stole a march on his friends and was united in Marriage to Katherine Schalgel. The marriage ceremony being performed at Belmond.

They will reside with Mr. Peters' parents until spring, when they then expect to rent a farm. The couple have the best wishes of the community. The bride has been employed at the Hotel Case in Belmond for the past few weeks.

The Independent joins in extending congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy married life.

This week will be the last week of school until after the holidays. Most of the teachers will go home for their vacation, if the train service permits.

Farm Page News

FACTS ON ENSILAGE

It's Value on the Farm and as a Fattening Feed.

(By H. F. Luick)

The day is not far distant when land values will be so high labor so scarce, and when fertility will be more thought of than now, that there will be a silo on every third or fourth farm. No structure on the farm will hold so much feed per unit of cost as a silo. By that is meant that were we to erect a barn large enough to hold the hay that would be equivalent in feeding value to the silage in a given silo, we would have a very costly structure. It is customary to consider a cube, eight feet each way a ton of tame hay. But approximately a three and four-fifths foot cube contains a ton of ensilage. So we draw our conclusion from this that a ton of hay is twice as bulky as a ton of silage.

Corn, when put into a silo, will produce more feed per acre than any other crop. Yields of ten to twelve tons of corn per acre are very common. Where we would have 400 tons of ensilage from forty acres of corn, we would consider ourselves fortunate indeed, especially this year when hay sells so high, to get 100 tons of No. 1 mixed hay from the same sized piece.

The war sounded the death knell for many a meadow. The call from the world was "Food! Give us More to Eat." As a consequence, many acres of hay land and pasture were turned over and crops of foodstuffs took the place of grass. So today we find pasture very hard to get. For example it is within the memory of many when the tract north of Rowan known as the Clark land furnishes grass for many cattle and horses. Today these two sections are mostly under plow producing corn, oats and flax. In the absence of sufficient forage land where is a livestock man to turn? The silo furnishes the only ray of hope. It is the lighthouse on many a farmstead piloting the feeder to cheaper gains in his livestock.

A heavy rain on a stack of hay in the swath or in windrow will spoil its feeding value. This is not true with silage. There is less uncertainty in putting a crop of corn into the silo than there is in putting a patch of hay in the stack or barn. An early frost of course will spoil the fun somewhat, but even then, frosted corn in the silo is far better as feed than hay that has been badly weathered.

Help is hard to get in haying time one year with another. When one fills his silo, his neighbors help him. It works well as a neighborhood affair. It would be a poor counselor who would urge a farmer to erect the only silo in the neighborhoor. Such an one would find it hard work to get it filled. When a neighborhood boasts of a number of silos, it is there that the silo is seen at its best.

There are some features about silos that experience has taught to be very useful. Many like roofs on their silos but personally it seems entirely unnecessary. A roof is always in the way when filling and does no particular good after the silo is full. It keeps out the rain which improves the best silage. Snow seldom blows enough to drift in the top of a thirty or forty foot silo. What snow falls directly down, of course, gets in, but that generally lasts a very short time as the surface of a silo is warm. As for keeping silage from freezing, there are no arguments in favor of it. Frozen silage along the walls of a silo is the result of not knowing how to remove the silage each day. The surface of a silo is always warm because there is fermentation going on wherever the air strikes the silage. In the very center of a silo where the air doess not strike it, it is cool, so we are told by those who have made an exhaustive study of the matter. So if we keep the top surface like an inverted saucer, the outside being a foot to eighteen inches lower than the center, we will have less trouble. Just as soon as a little silage freezes to the wall of the silo, we may expect trouble to start right there. It is a poor idea to let the hired man throw down the silage unless he knows how to handle the top surface.

Many argue that it is a waste of good feed to put much corn in the silo along with the stalks and leaves. They seem to think that the silo is some chemical laboratory over which the farmer can wave his pitch fork shouting, "Presto Chango" and convert the stuff of little or no feeding value into something of real worth. That day passed long ago when one can get something of worth out of nothing. The more good feed one can cram into the sinewed walls of a silo the more good feed will he take out. The silo makes the best cornerib on the place for part of one's corn. There is enough feed wasted in the corn stalks we leave out to weather and rot, to feed as many more cattle and sheep as we have now.

Ensilage makes a first rate feed for fattening cattle provided one mixes a little brains in with it. It has to be fed with judgment. It generally replaces as much corn in the ration as there is corn in the ensilage. In other words, if we are feeding an ensilage with little corn in it, it will replace but little of the corn we feed regularly. But on the other hand, if we are feeding ensilage with an abundance of corn in it, it will not be needful to feed as much ear or shelled corn. Naturally silage has a loosening effect upon the digestive system so care must be exercised about feeding too much. Feeders who are in the habit of feeding it regularly to fattening cattle usually dispense with it a week or ten days prior to shipping.

As a feed for dairy cows and growing animals it is par excellence. For cows it will furnish the major part of the roughage ration. It furnishes the succulence so needed by an animal giving milk. Fed alone it lacks woefully in those constituents found largely in bran, alfalfa or clover hay and oil meal. But supplemented with any one or a combination of these, silage cheapens the cost of producing milk.

Given the choice of a silo, a corn crib or a hay barn with the instructions that he could have only one of the three, good judgment would be displayed by that man who picked the silo. It comes as near replacing the haymow and corn crib as anything could. There is something peculiar about a man who is a little skeptical about a silo. Before he has one, he doubts what is said about them, but in a majority of cases when such a man finally does have a silo of his own, he wonders how he ever managed without one. The silo is the greatest thing on the farm since the cream separator came.

L. B. OLSON BUYS FINE HOG.

An Excellent Spring Boar by the Mighty Pathfinder.

One of the best Duroc Jersey spring boars of the year was recently purchased by L. B. Olson of Garner, Iowa, from Hanks & Bishop of New London, Iowa, for $2,750.00. This pig is sired by Pathfinder out of a Disturber dam. He will be placed at the head of Mr. Olson's herd as a running mate to Indianwold Orion, a true Orion boar who has proven good as a sire. This pig is one of the best spring boars we have seen. He has extreme length, excellent height and splendid arched back, good bone, and excellent feet and legs. He looks like a real herd boar prospect, and we predict that he will before long make a name for himself in Duroc history. He will be crossed with the splendid gilts of Mr. Olson's herd sired by the leading sires of the breed. These gilts will be offered as attractions in the February 5th sale at Garner. It will be worth while of every Duroc man to give this sale special attention.

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The following speech was made by an Irish barrister in behalf of his client whose cow had been killed by a train: "If the train had been run as it should have been ran, or if the bell had been rung as it should have been rang, or if the whistle had been blown as it should have been blew, both of which they did neither, the cow would not have been injured when she was killed."

Should Be Quanantined.

Many physicians believe that anyone who has a bad cold should be completely isolated to prevent other members of the family and associates from contracting the disease, as colds are about as catching as measles. One thing sure—the sooner one rids himself of a cold the less the danger, and you will look a good while before you find a better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to aid you in curing a cold. For sale at Adams Pharmacy.

Splendid Cough Medicine.

"As I feel that every family should know what a splendid medicine Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is, I am only too pleased to relate my experience and only wish that I had known of its merits years ago," writes Mrs. Clay Fry, Ferguson Station, Mo. "I give it to my children when they show the slightest symptoms of being croupy, and when I have a cough or cold on the lungs a very few doses will relieve me, and by taking it for a few days I soon get rid of the cold." For sale at Adams Pharmacy.

FOR SALE.

Large Toulouse geese for breeding purposes. Will also take orders for dressed geese for Christmas.
Mrs. O. D. Jenison,
Phone 9417.

FOR SALE—I have 10 pure bred Duroc Jersey boars, registered, weighing up to 250 each, to sell at once, cheap. Thos. Brooks. 4-3t

FOR SALE—I have four pure bred big type Poland-China hogs for sale. One boar, the big long, stretchy kind. Three sows of the same type. Inquire at State Bank. David Luick.

FOR SALE—Havo a few choice Poland China boars left at $60.00 for first choice; some at $40.00. Eligible to registry. Preston Tyrrell. 3-3w

I have 10 pure bred Duroc Jersey boars, registered, weighing up to 250 each, to sell at once, cheap. Thos. Brooks, Belmond. 2-4t

FOR SALE—Two boar pigs, Druoc Jersey, weight about 150. E. W. Hood, Phone 8206. 4-2t.

FOR SALE—One pair of light bobs and one pure bred Duroc Jersey stock hog. A. W. Martin. 3-2t

FOUND—Two auto cranks. Owners can have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Nordschow Motor Co.

FOR SALE—Riverside air-duct soft coal heater, medium size, guaranteed in good condition. Reasonable price. Guy Baker, Belmond.

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PUBLIC SALE

As I am going into another business, I will hold a closing out public sale at my farm known as the old Darby place 3 miles southeast of Belmond and 6 miles west and 1 1-4 miles north of Alexander, on

TUESDAY, JAN. 6

Commencing at 10 o'clock sharp, the following described property:

8 HEAD HORSES 8

1 bay team of mares, 12 years old.
1 brown gelding 4 years old.
1 gray gelding 5 years old.
1 roan mare 15 years old.
1 black gelding 4 years old.
2 bay mares 3 years old.

26 HEAD OF CATTLE

Ten milk cows, some fresh, others will be soon; 4 two-year-old heifers with calf, 6 last spring heifer calves, 4 last spring bull calves, 1 15-16 full blooded Hereford bull coming two years old, 3 small calves.

55 HEAD OF HOGS 55

Fifteen brood sows, bred to full blooded boar; 39 barrows; these are all good blooded hogs. One full blooded boar.

FARM MACHINERY, ETC.

1 7-foot Grain Binder,
1 Manure Spreader,
1 10-foot Hay Rake,
1 16-inch Sulky Plow,
1 14-inch Walking Plow,
1 2-row Corn Stalk Cutter,
1 Potato Digger,
1 Moline Beet Lifter,
1 Harrow Cart,
1 Hay Loader,
1 8-inch I. H. C. Feed Grinder,
1 Low Wheel Wagon with 36-in. box,
1 Wood Wheel Truck Wagon,
1 Silo Rack,
1 Cutter,
1 Grind Stone,
1 Spring Buggy,
1 6-16 Rock Island Heider Tractor with two 14-inch plow bottoms, power lift
1 Tractor-Binder Hitch, will work on any tractor or binder,
1 Corn Binder,
1 5-foot Mower,
1 Hayes Corn Planter, with 100 rods of wire,
1 8-foot Disc,
2 Riding Corn Cultivators,
1 P. & O. Beet Plow,
1 20-foot Harrow,
1 11-foot Seeder,
1 1½ H. P. Engine,
1 High Wheel Wagon, with 36-in. box,
1 36-inch New Wagon Box,
2 Hay Racks,
2 Bob Sleds,
1 Hand Corn Sheller,
1 Emery Stone,
2 Single Buggies,
4 sets of 1½ inch Harness,
1 Single Harness,
10 Collars, all sizes,
1 Set Cord Nets,
1000 Bushels of Good Corn,
Some Potatoes,
3 10--foot Steel Hog Troughs,
25 Bushel Self Hog Feeder,
1 Hog Oiler,
1 Cream Separator,
1 Cider Press,
1 Saddle,
1 Fanning Mill,
1 15-bushel Steel Seed Corn Dryer,
1 60-foot 6 inch Belt,
1 24-foot 6 inch Belt,
1 20-foot 2 inch Belt,
1 Big Stack of Straw,
1 Double Driving Harness,
1 Shetland Pony Harness,
2 Sets Leather Fly Nets,
8 Tons Mixed Hay,
19 Sacks Seed Corn,
100 R. I. Hens,
5 Full Blooded Roosters,
10 Good Breeding Roosters,
1 Incubator,
1 14 Hen Setter,
1 110-gal. Gas Tank,
1 60-gal. Gas Tank,
2 30-gal. Steel Barrels,
1 Platform Scales,
50 Tons Good Ensilage.

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SUBSTITUTE FUEL.

In view of the threatened coal famine this winter, I have the following suggestion to offer to save fuel. The idea is to take the ashes that we are now throwing out and after treating them to a simple chemical preparation, to return them to the furnace and obtain from them as great if not greater heat than we did from the coal itself. And it can be done, as experience of thousands who have tried the experiment goes to prove. The formula for this chemical preparation is as follows:

Take one pound of common salt, two ounces of oxalic acid and one gallon of water. Mix and moisen a mixture containing one part coal and three parts ashes and a better fuel than pure coal is obtained. This remarkable secret was discovered by John Ellmore, a shoemaker of Altoona, Pa., several years ago. The ashes of anthracite coal burn as readily as do those of bituminous. This mixture will upon being placed upon a burning fire, fuse into a cokelike mass and deposit but little residue. The chemical action of this compound is as follows:

When an aqueous solution of an alkaline salt, such as common salt, is mixed with coal ash, the result is that a mild lye is formed, which, when mixed with any combustible material such as coal and upon the application of heat, gives off oxygen gas, thus enabling rapid combustion. The addition of oxalic acid causes a chemical change of greater value than the first, for the reason that it results in the formation of a carbide, which in turn gives off acetylene gas, this adding to the intensity of the heat, and facilitating complete combustion.

This compound has been used in many large industrial and mercantile institutions, and it has been claimed for it that it has reduced the fuel item more than half. It could also be used to advantage by any householder with a little ingenuity and would be found the means of saving a great deal of money in coal bills.

J. Frank Fleming.

To the Editor: Anent your story of a combination of oxalic acid, salt and ashes as a coal substitute, I have been following same for the past week with the following results: Before using tihs solution I was burning from 100 to 120 pounds of coal a day. With the aid of this solution I am now burning but sixty pounds a day (that is, a complete day of twenty-four hours.) My system is as follows To one bushel of ashes I add twenty pounds of coal and the solution. I shake all dead ashes from grate, put twenty pounds of coal on fire and allow same to get a good start, then put one-half of solution on fire, raise check, close draft and damper and fire lasts for twelve hours without any attention whatever. At the expiration of twelve hours I follow the same rule with the same results. The only trouble I have had is to keep the temperature below 80 degrees, and after mixture has burned for about two hours have had to cover the entire fire with pure ashes to reduce heat. I am burning Virginia semianthracite—$11 coal. The cost of sixty pounds of this coal is 33 cents., the salt 3 cents and the acid 3⅛ cents an ounce, as I bought my acid at 50c per pound. Therefore the total cost for one day of twenty-four hours is 42¼ cents. I give you this hoping it may help some to relieve the coal pressure.

W. H. Mulhall.
1333 Eighteenth street.

Do You Enjoy Your Meals?

If you do not enjoy your meals your digestion is faulty. Eat moderately, especially of meats, masticate your food thoroughly. Let five hours elapse between meals and take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and you will soon find your meals to be a real pleasure. For sale at Adams Pharmacy.

Have you noticed how bright the lights burn in the Nordschow garage? No flickering, or stopping. Do you know the reason? Why? Because he uses the Lalley Light Plant. Always ready, always dependable, no going without ligths with a Lalley Light Plant. All users of lights will do well to investigate, especially farmers.

A good magazine makes an ideal Christmas present—and it is not too early to be ordering it. Do your shopping early, and do it at a reasonable price with the R. A. Rankins Magazine Agency. tf

SCHOOL BOY WANTED—To work after school and Saturdays. No cigarette fiends or loafers need apply. Nordschow Motor Co.

I have all the dry willow wood, cut in blocks, that you want. Also, ten tons of good mixed hay. Peter Kaufman. 4-2t

Subscribe for the Independent.

Among the Neighbors

Garner Signal: John McNicoll, representative of the Iowa Valley Sugar Co., received his household goods last week and has them in his home which he purchased some time ago, the former E. F. Kluckholm residence. His family is expected today. John says that he will be mighty glad to get to living in his own home again.

Klemme Times: George Ell of Belmond, was in Klemme Monday attending to business matters and also finding a little time to spend with relatives and friends. While in town Mr. Ell dropped into the Times office and ordered the Times sent to him for one year. He said he has been without it long enough and that he likes to hear about his old friends every week.

Corwith Hustler: On account of the coal shortage the jitney which runs between Albert Lea and Fort Dodge, has been taken off until further notice. This will be a hardship on the children of Stilson who attend school here. There are nine of these students who come down on the morning train and return in the evening. The "hook" between Algona and Hampton will run as long as it can stay on the track.

Henry Lemon's sale was one of the best demonstration of what printer's ink will do to bring a long list of buyers into the fold, that we have known for some time. Auctioneer Kester tells us that Henry had estimated his sale at about $3,000.00, but that when it came to checking up with the clerk it developed that the aggregate of the sale was $4,600. Henry used space in both the local papers and the Klemme Times attracted buyers from all sections. It will be well for those contemplating having sales to copy Henry's system of publicity.—Garner Democrat.

Many persons feel offended because their comings and goings are not mentioned while those of others are, and wonder what the matter can be. The explanation of the matter is that the editor means to be impartial but some escape mention. The likes and dislikes of an editor have nothing to do with it, and while it is not pretended that the editor is more human he knows that the success of his journal depends on his fairness and impartiality to all. It is the best way always when a notice is desired to mention it to the editor, or communicate through the postoffice. No one feels any worse about any seeming neglect or partial performance of duty than the editor himself.—Klemme Times.

Garner Signal: The town council met last evening for final hearing on the proposed paving program. A goodly number were present and we were surprised to find that there were none who opposed paving. There were some present who asked that certain parts of the proposed district be cut out, but it only meant a few blocks and Garner will next year see nearly 100 blocks paved. The time for letting contract was set for January 8. It is expected that the size of this contract will attract many of the big bidders, and a very good price should be secured for the job on account of the size. Garner has had the name of being backward in city improvements, but when they start anything, the result is something worth while. Our mayor and council are to be congratulated on the progressive spirit they have shown since they have been in office. It is a mayor and council like ours that makes a town amount to something.

Klemme Times: We are not going to "beat around the bush" any but will come right out and say that the price of the Klemme Times beginning January 1st, 1920, will be $2 per year in advance. To those who reside outside of Hancock county the price will be $2.50. We will not blame the raise in the price "on account of the war," but will lay it unto the high price we are now paying for peace. A great many papers raised their subscription during the war period and we will say they were entitled to it. Some have raised again since peace was declared, and we will say they are again entitled to it. To keep pace with the cost of producing a newspaper forcess us to also fall in line with the other papers. Print paper has tripled in cost, yes, even more, almost five times what it used to be. Type is higher, as is also ink, composition, machinery, repairs, rollers and the thousand other things used in a print shop. That sums up our reason for the advance in price.

Electricity For Christmas.

Kanawha Reporter: Work on the farmers electric lines is nearing completion and Mr. Daily informs us that he expects to have the wiring to the homes of the farmers finished by Christmas. The remainder of the wiring will be completed the first of the year.

Oil Station Assured.

Kanawha Reporter: The men who have been here selling stock for an oil station secured the needed number last Friday and Kanawha is now assured an oil station in the near future. The site and kind of a building has not yet been decided on, but the men who have this part to see to expect to be here soon to make the final arrangements.

We'd Like to Trade.

Kanawha Reporter: Less than a year ago a man gave us six dozen eggs for a year's subscription to the Reporter. Our subscription price then was $1.50 per year. Our subscription price is now $2.00. We'd like to trade a few subscriptions on the same basis. We bought print paper then at $45.00 per ton. The last ton we bought last month with freight and drayage cost us $165, and yet some people think the newspaper man is profiteering.

New Firm in Possession.

Kanawha Reporter: Heckerson & Tande is the title of the new implement firm which took possession of the business formerly conducted by Hill & VanderPloeg of this city. The work of invoicing was completed last week and the new firm is now in possession and ready to serve the public. They need no particular introduction to our readers as Mr. Tande has been following his trade as a carpenter in this city for a number of years and has given more than satisfaction. His partner, Mr. Heckerson, has been an employee at this implement house for several years and knows the needs of their former patrons. His experience in all branches of the business will stand them in good stead.

Messrs. Hill & Vander Ploeg have been successful during their business career in our city. Mr. Hill and family expect to leave in the spring for Illinois to make their home, and Mr. Vander Ploeg and family will remain in Kanawha.

George Pabst Sells Drug Store.

Klemme Times: Our readers will be surprised to hear that G. A. Pabst has sold out his drug business in Klemme and will soon leave our little city. Now we supposed that George was a permanent fixture in Klemme and he rather thought so himself and is not yet quite sure if it is all a dream. All the necessary details of the transaction have not yet been signed up, but George says the place is as good as sold. Mr. Pabst has been in Klemme several years now and has enjoyed a good business all of the time. He runs as good a drug store as can be found anywhere and he will be greatly missed from the business circle, as also will his family from the social circles of Klemme. Now that George has "gone and did it" we extend our best wishes for his future, whatever or wherever that will be. The new man we have not met as he was only here between trains, but George says he appears to be a fine fellow and no doubt will be will liked.

Wood For Clarion.

Clarion Monitor: On Monday of this week, an organization was perfected which promises to secure a considerable supply of wood for distribution to the local trade. The Clarion Commercial club is backing the venture and has assured financial support for marketing 100 cords of wood. The plan is to assemble the wood at the grounds of the West school building, where it will be sawed into chunks a foot in length. From this place it will be sold at the cost of production which is to be kept at or below $8.00 per cord for soft wood. A limited amount of hard wood will be available at about $10. per cord. An effort will be made to secure a supply of wood from the shade trees of the city, which have needed thinning for several years. It has been demonstrated that green maple or green box-alder has considerable value as fuel when used with coal. With proper co-operation on the part of those who have trees to spare, it will be possible to conserve the present supply of soft coal to a consederable extent.

BURNS CRUDE OIL.

Lack of Coal Bridged; Factory Continues in Full Operation.

The Litchfield Manufacturing company has exhausted its supply of coal, but will continue operations as usual thru special burner attachments permitting the use of crude oil in boiler fireboxes. The company has storage capacity of 30,000 gallons of the new fuel and enough of a supply to fill all immediate needs.

The cost operation, aside from the initial outlay for burners and extra piping, is only slightly higher than when coal is used. The crude oil is easily procured as the supply is not limited in any way and shipments in tank carloads may be quickly made. —World Journal.

CHANGE AT THEATER

Frantz's Sell to Mr. Sampson—Change Effective in January.

The Photoplay Theater which during the past seven years has been conducted by A. D. Frantz, assited by his son Roy, was sold this week to Mr. Sampson, who comes from Belmond. The change of ownership becomes affective between January 1st and 15th. The retiring proprietors have given the business close attention and studied, apparently, the popular desire along the line of moving picture entertainment, and they have earned the success that has been theirs.

Mr. Sampson will conduct the theater along the same lines. As a newcomer—welcome to Ackley.—World Journal.

REGULATIONS TO CONSERVE FUEL ARE GIVEN OUT

Hours For Business Houses.
(From Garner Signal)

Stores from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m.
Restaurants from 6 a. m. to 8 p. m.
Drug stores from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m.
Barber shops from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Pool hall from 1 to 9:30 p. m.
Lyric theater from 7:30 to 10:30 p. m.

All business places to remain open Saturday night until 10 o'clock.

Lodges allowed one meeting a month.

Churches to unite for one meeting on Sunday.

For three nights before Christmas the business houses are allowed to remain open until 10 o'clock.

Such is the schedule for the opening and closing of business houses and public places in Garner as set by the City Fuel Administrator, the mayor, and the merchants closing committee at a meeting held Monday morning. These regulations conform with the orders and instructions sent out from the state fuel administrator's office. It is hoped with this conservation to get by without making the rules any more stringent. If a little coal arrives from time to time and it can be properly distributed it is hoped that it will not be necessary to close the schools.

Some wood has been shipped in, some have wood that can be cut, and in this way the supply of coal may be made to tide us over. Wood choppers will be organized and put to work in some of the groves near town where the owners are willing to have the wood cut. Any farmer who is willing to have some of his wood cut should notify Mayor Zeiger at once. The wood will be paid for at a reasonable price, and the men who do the work will receive fair wages.

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SOCIETY NOTES

Card Club—

The "500" club met with Miss Gertrude Ely last Monday evening.

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Rebekah Lodge No. 162—

The regular meeting of the Rebekah lodge was held on Wednesday, Dec. 10. Two members were initiated and refreshments were served.

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Congregational Aid—

The Ladies Aid society of the Congregational church met with Mrs. Marvin Christie for their regular business meeting last Thursday.

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Camp Fire Girls—

The Camp Fire Girls met at the home of Mrs. McBurney last Thursday night. Mrs. McBurney demonstrated first aid work in connection with their study.

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Idle-a-while—

The last meeting of the Idle-a-while was held at the home of Mrs. Mike Luick, Jr., on Wednesday, December 3. A delightful social afternoon was spent and refreshments served.

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Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lewis gave a dinner at the Hotel Case last Saturday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Rosencrans and Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard, who leave this week for California. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Kinney were also guests.

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Progress Club—

The Progress club met with Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen on Tuesday, December 16, for a special Christmas program. Ada Fitts had charge of the music and the roll call was Yuletide customs. Bessie Lieuwein, Ella Luick, and Anna Schooler served refreshments and small gifts were exchanged by the members by means of a grab-bag.

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Surprise Party—

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sampson were guests of honor at a surprise party given at their home last Thursday evening by the members of the Idle-a-while club and their husbands. A jolly sleigh ride was enjoyed to the Sampson home, where the evening was spent in games and music. Mrs. Sampson was presented with two pieces of cut glass. A two course supper was served at the close of the evening. The Idle-a-while club very much regret to lose these young people from their enjoyable circle.

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Party—

Mildred Berg was hostess to seventeen of her little friends on her eleventh birthday, Saturday, December 13. The Berg home was beautifully decorated with Christmas colors and smiling Santa faces peeped from many a nook and corner. The afternoon from 2 to 6 was spent in those games so dear to the hearts of laughing little girls and then a delicious two course supper was served. The favors were miniature Santas. Mildred received many pretty little gifts in honor of the day. The most delightful thing in the world is to be a happy little girl and to have a birthday party, with one's best friends to share in the pleasure.

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D. D. S.—

The business birls of the D. D. S. gave a shower for Mrs. Louise Baldridge at the home of Miss Minnie Johnson last Wednesday evening. The girls had planned to surprise Mrs. Baldridge by waiting several weeks before giving this affair in return for the surprise for which she was responsible. An evening of pure fun was spent in games and trying luck with a grab-bag. The guest of honor was presented with three pieces of cut glass and each member also gave her one small article for her home.

The Misses Hannah and Agnes Rikansrud and the Misses Helen and Agnes Enger were also guests. The members present were: Louise Baldridge, Rhoda Skouge, Alma Greenfield, Theoline Johnson, Thera Fitts, Lois Morse and Minnie Johnson. Delicious refreshments were served by the Misses Enger.

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Community Club—

The Christmas meeting which had been planned for this month will not be held, on account of the necessary closing of the library. This will not interfere with the collecting and distributing of the gifts as planned. In many homes there are toys which no longer are in use, and if anyone wishes such toys placed in homes where they will bring joy to other children, or if anyone wishes to donate new toys or gifts of any kind, there is a committee ready to take charge of them. The president of the club, Mrs. Rosecrans, appointed the following members to act on the committee: Mrs. Wallace Ramsay, Miss Nell Barry, Mrs. Lud Johnson, Mrs. Marvin Christie, Mrs. Martin Lewis, Mrs. O. Young, Mrs. J. E. Wallace, and Miss Julia Jacobson.

Contributions may be left with any member of the committee. Arrangements have been made for a barrel or basket to be placed in C. G. Johnson's store, in which to place contributions. Gifts should be in not later than Wed. p. m., Dec. 24th.

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Shower—

Miss Miltner and Miss Flynn gave a shower at the Rosecrans home in honor of Miss Lettye Pletch, whose marriage is to occur in the near future. The rooms were beautifully decorated in the Christmas colors, red predominating. The guests, beside the guest of honor, were the teachers of the public school and Mrs. Fyler, Mrs. Dickinson and Miss Webb. The refreshment table was very attractive with its red heart place cards and artistic menu cards. The following appropriate menu were served, which, when interpreted, means some very tempting and delicious articles of food:

Ambrosia.
Love in a Cottage.
Spiced Sweetness.
Sunshine and Tempest.
United Hearts.
Nectar.

Many small gifts were presented to Miss Pletch in a very amusing manner. These gifts were hidden in various places with a humorous couplet attached to each telling where the next one was to be found.

An electric toaster and six mixing bowls will also remind the future bride of her fellow teachers who wish her every happiness in her future home.

DON'T FORGET—

That The Independent will make a fine Christmas present for any friend you have who was once a resident of Belmond. They want the news of the old home town, and they will appreciate the home paper. Send them The Independent for a year. It's the best present for the least money, and will be a weekly reminder of the frindship that remembered.

MERRY CHRISTMTS—what cheer and good will it signifies. Nobody with red blood in his veins can resist. Bankers keep on counting, blacksmiths keep on hammering, conductors keep on calling out streets, everyone keeps on working as though there were nothing in the air—no garlands of holly, no wistful little faces peering into shop windows. Then suddenly something happens—usually just before Christmas eve. The banker leaves his desk, the blacksmith, the butcher, the candelstick maker leave their shops. They can't help themselves, they must hurry out on the street; they nod to each other, they shake hands and say—Merry Christ mas. And then it is Christmas! But the children knew that long before, for Christmas is their own—a precious birthright, the inheritance of two thousand years. Christmas is coming. It's coming to gladden the world's heart, to charm little children and make men smile.

GLOVES

For Sister

KID GLOVES
SILK GLOVES
SHOES
SILK HOSE
PETTICOATS
STATIONERY
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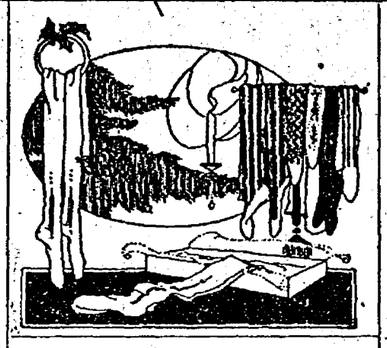
CARNISOLES
FANCY RIBBONS
HAND BAGS



For Mother:

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GLOVES
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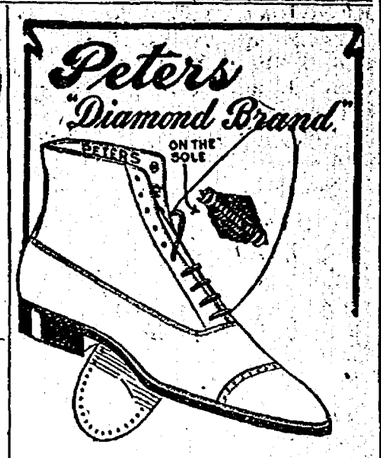

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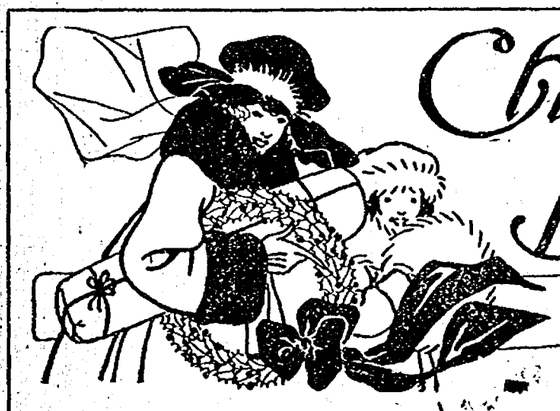

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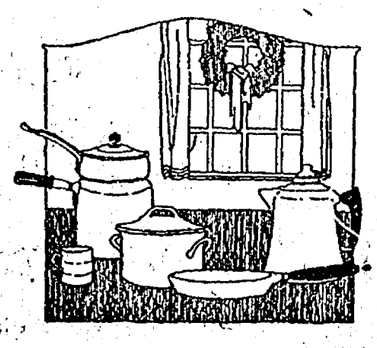

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CHARACTER TEACHING IN DAY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Problem of the Smart Aleck Attitude of Mind.

By J. Adams Puffer.

There is a very common tendency among high school pupils today to be smart, to put it over on the other fellow, to put it over on the teacher, to get by with a bluff in recitation. This is nothing new. It is as old as the world. It is a form of play but it is very dangerous to the participants if they can always be successful at the game. The youth needs to run up against the man or woman who is master of the situation. The Smart Aleck needs to be cured by wise methods. If allowed to run wild and get by, he is sure to have a bad start for personal honesty and a genuine efficiency. He becomes as a rule a menace in social or business life. He fails to be the father of a good family. He is a flaw in the foundation for a safe democracy.

The very conditions of our modern life favor precociousness. We are living in a fast age. One half of our population live in cities. One half of the remainder live on trolley and railroad lines or have an automobile and go in and out of the city daily or weekly. The child of the city streets knows more about life in his teens than the young men and women of the past generations knew in their twenties or thirties. If the boy works at the street trades he becomes blase and bold. If he lives in homes where work is not required he has too much idle time for mischief. The boys and girls with automobiles become too worldly wise, sensuous and vicious in their teens.

Both boys and girls are constant attendants at the moving pictures. By the present kind of pictures which present the life of the bold, precocious, sensuous, vicious and criminal, the youth of our land are daily fed on the most dangerous kind of suggestions leading to precociousness and immorality.

It is not a pleasant kind of remark but there is a very wide spread spirit throughout our broad land to escape from work, especially hard work. "I don't want my boy to work as hard as I did," is a very common remark of fathers. There is a desire especially prominent in our schools to get away from all kinds of overall jobs and work in office or profession. There is also the common American attitude to beat the other fellow and get on top and put it over on the fellow underneath.

All these forces help to make our large crop of Smart Alecks.

What can be done to meet the situation?

The present police system of government should be changed to meet the Smart Aleck at his own game. He likes to put it over on the teacher but he finds no fun in putting it over on himself. In fact, to be watched by a teacher brings out the worst side of the boy. He generally gives the teacher all she wants to watch. He gets fun out of it, at the expense of the teacher. Nearly every boy has a sense of honor and many a very keen sense. They like to be placed on their honor and rare is the group of boys who will not respond to confidence placed slowly and wisely upon their shoulders.

Several years ago I visited the East Technical high school in Cleveland, Ohio, to study the vocational work. The phase of the work in the school which has lingered in my memory was the self government plans. I visited the different kinds of industrial and vocational classes and was much pleased with the wonderful esprite de corps of the whole school. Then I was invited to study their method of self government.

"I wish you to step out into the halls and observe our methods of self-government," said the principal. "We are much pleased with this method of discipline. It is getting results. It is the only way to develop real independence of character and make citizens for a democracy. You of course know that all systems have their faults and limitations. Come out into the halls and observe the boys and girls pass to their study and recitation rooms. It is against our principles to have teachers on watch, but your visit with me will be understood."

With much interest I watched the boys and girls in their very free social life. Conversations and business of all kinds were going on. It was very much like the main sessions of a Superintendents association in the lobbies of the hotels. It was hum and buzz. It appeared like business. The time seemed long to me.

"When does this end," I asked.

"We have a ten-minute period between classes and encourage the freest possible social life. We studied this problem very carefully for a year before we ventured on the experiment. We used to have five minutes between the classes. Pupils of the opposite sex would sometimes be a minute late to their classes. They had something which seemed important to them and needed to be said now or never. Our teachers believe in natural social life between boys and girls. We increased the time between classes to ten minutes. Our troubles with tardiness disappeared. The number of conferences increased. The pupils plan to do all kinds of school business at this time. Does this time look well spent to you?"

"I believe that social training under wise direction is one of the most valuable forms of training for all-round living. This is a move in the right direction. I have visited schools where no freedom between boys and girls was allowed. It was tabooed and a very abnormal and dangerous social life is the result."

"True. We deliberately plan for the cultivation of right social freedom and customs. When my secretary took you to the different rooms did she introduce you to the teacher?"

"Yes."

"Did the teacher stop to talk with you?"

"Yes; and for quite a long time in some cases."

"That is a part of our plan. We like to have the right kind of social life right before the pupils. That counts. Courtesy can be better taught by example than by precept. Our social life has improved in every direction. We used to have spooning couples. That has all gone. It is tabooed. We recommend that all of that kind of social life be done in the home in the presence of the father and mother. Spooning disgusts the better type of boys and girls and therefore prevents the very thing we wish to cultivate—sensible social life."

"I wish to congratulate you on your very common sense method of education. I hope the time will come when the foolish and dangerous social life in the streets, in our public amusements and in our high schools can be controlled and redirected toward sanity and safety. Your natural methods are a step in the right direction."

"I once visited Boston at the time of the N. E. A. meetings. I shall never forget a remark of President Eliot of Harvard. I may not be quoting him verbatim, but it was something like this: 'Book education is the cheapest and poorest of all kinds of education known on earth.' He was constrasting the laboratory of life education with books. That remark hit me hard and since teaching in this high school I am beginning to catch a little of its significance."—Public Welfare.

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KANAWHA

(Too late for last week)

Martin Swelland and family were Belmond callers Safurday.

Wm. McDougald returned from Mason City Saturday evening.

A new business change took place Tuesday as Art Bruener sold his interest in the pool hall to Fred Cook. What Mr. Bruener's intentions are we do not know at this writing.

Fred Jurgens had the misfortune of losing one of his fingers Saturday while shelling corn.

Herm rBummond went to Luverne Monday night on a business trip.

The school house two miles west of the Brummond school, burned to the ground Tuesday night.

Harold Peterson, who has been working for his father in Albert Lea, is visiting his sisters and friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kalvig, Jr., gave a reception in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kalvig Wednesday evening. All guests reported a very enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Knudson, west of town, left last Thursday for Des Moines, where they will visit their daughter, Mrs. H. L. Baker, and family. They expect to leave Des Moines Sunday for Long Beach, California, where they expect to spend the winter. Jefferson Yeakel and Mrs. H. Brummond of Leverne, accompanied them.

Miss Benzler is the new stenographer in the First National bank here. Miss Benzler was deputy county recorder up to the time she accepted this position.

Cecil Griffith is assisting at the O. E. Johnson Drug company during the Christmas rush.

Mrs. Guy Eggers from Albert Lea, is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Gerhard Johnson of Belmond, who has been working for Melvin and Harley Thompson, went to Belmond Thursday evening to work in his father's store.

Art Bruener went to Mason City Thursday evening on business.

BUSINESS PERSONALS

Auto Owners Take Notice.

Application blanks for automobile licenses may now be found at all the banks. To avoid penalty, these applications should be made during the month of December, of which but a few days remain. It will be necessary to give both the serial number and the factory number of the car. Do it now—today—and avoid that penalty of one dollar per month beginning Jaunary 1st.

HEADQUARTERS for CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

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Handkerchiefs

Monogramed or plain.

Hosiery

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ROWAN DEPARTMENT

ROWAN CHURCH DIRECTORY.

Congregational Church.
Rev. J. W. Bonnell, Pastor

11:00—Morning service and sermon.
12:00—Sunday school.
6:30—Christian Endeavor.

Owing to the government orders concerning the coal situation, there will be no evening service except Christian Endeavor, which will be held in the homes.

Junior Endeavor Wednesday afternoon at 4:00.

Prayer meeting at 7:00 o'clock.

Methodist Church.
No Pastor.

12:00—Sunday school.
3:00—Junior League.

Epworth League and Wednesday evening prayer meetings are held in the homes.

At the fall conference Rowan was to be supplied and as yet no pastor has been secured, but are joining in a union service at the Congregational church.

Rowan American Legion Post Passes Resolutions.

The local post of the American Legion is being handicapped somewhat in its work because of the lack of a suitable meeting place. Until recently, meetings have been held in the Bingham hall, but now that cold weather has set in, and because of the impracticability of heating the hall for every meeting, it has become necessary for the post to find another meeting place. Plans are being formulated to enlist the aid of the local members of the various lodges in a movement to erect a suitable building in which the lodge members and the post may hold their meetings. Post Finance Officer Howell has generously offered the post the use of his basement for a meeting place until permanent quarters can be founds.

Resolutions.

We, the members of Andrew Whitten Post No. 159, the American Legion, being assembled in regular meeting, on this the first day of December, 1919, do hereby resolve and unanimously enact the following resolutions:

Whereas, It has come to the attention of the Post that four of our comrades were shot down in cold blood by so-called I. W. W. during an Armistice day parade at Centralia, Washington; and,

Whereas,, It is the belief of the members of this Post that outrages of this sort are the direct result of the tolerant attitude displayed by congress toward the I. W. W. and kindred Unamerican organizations; and,

Whereas, There is now before congress a measure known as the Johnson bill providing for the deportation of undesirable aliens; be it,

Resolved, That the members of the Andrew Whitten Post No. 159, The American Legion, demand that congress immediately give its attention to the Johnson bill or such other measure as will provide for the deportation of all undesirable aliens and for the suppression of their pernicious activities; and,

Be it Further Resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the senators from this state and to the members of the house of representatives, and that they be requested to advise this Post of their attitude on the matter.

Signed:
James H. Rowen, Post Com.
C. L. Williams, Post Adj.

Congregational Missionary Society.

The Congregational Missionary society met with Mrs. John Farren on Friday afternoon the past week with Mrs. A. E. Emerson as leader. Following are the officers elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. O. E. Ballou re-elected as president, Mrs. R. Virden re-elected as vice president, Mrs. John Farren, secretary; Mrs. J. W. Bonnell, treasurer; Mrs. L. A. McCallum, corresponding secretary; Mrs. R. H. Keith, Mrs. L. A. McCallum and Miss Mary Whitten were appointed by the president to have charge of a Home Missionary program given at the church Sunday morning. Following program will be rendered:

Voluntary—Mrs. Clint Kerchival.
Song—Congregation.
Scripture—Mrs. O. E. Ballou.
Prayer—Mrs. J. W. Bonnell.
Musical Selection by piano, clarinet and violin; Mrs. C. Kerchival, William Rietz and C. L. Williams.
Reading—Miss Aten.
Recitation—Frances Farren.
Reading—Mrs. Edwards.
Quartette—"Go Ye into all the World," Misses Ballou and Parliman, and Messrs. Whitten and Box.
Address—Rev. J. W. Bonnell.
Offertory—Mrs. H. G. Box.
Song—Congregation.
Benediction.

Mission or Bible Study.

The Young People of the Methodist church are enjoying a mission or Bible study on Thursday evening of each week. The mission study is: "The Church of the Open Country," under the leadership of Miss Ruby Aten.

The study club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Lindsey Thursday evening, Miss May Virden leading the Bible study. The next meeting will be held the first Thursday after Christmas at the home of Mrs. Braden, with Mrs. C. L. Lindsey leading the Bible study.

Red Cross Christmas Seals.

The local Red Cross chapter have received 2000 Red Cross Christmas seals which are on sale at the post-office. The chapter retains 50 per cent of the proceeds and 50 per cent goes to the State Tuberculosis association. Price per seal 1 cent. The seal is not a stamp, but a Christmas sticker for letters and packages. Red Cross Christmas seals stand for health and the saving of lives.

Banquet Planned.

The business men are making plans to entertain the returned soldiers and wives or lady friends to a banquet and movie on Thursday evening, Dec. 18. The banquet will be served in the Congregational church dining rooms.

Stores Closed.

By order of the mayor, S. A. Ferguson, the stores of Rowan will be open only from 10 a. m. till 4 p. m., except Saturday, when they will be open in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Whitten's youngest son Mayne, has been quite ill the past week, Dr. Patton of Galt, being called Thursday, but he is much improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Box were Dows business shoppers Friday.

L. W. Berger, formerly of Latimer, and who has been living at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Steffens since the death of his wife a year ago, departed Monday evening over the Rock Island to spend the winter at Coffeyville, Kansas.

Mrs. James Smith and children departed for their new home at Highmore, South Dakota, Monday morning, leaving Dows on the early morning train. We regret to lose the Smith family from our community, but hope they will enjoy their new home.

The Congregational bazaar and supper Saturday was well attended and the proceeds of the evening will net the ladies about ninety dollars. The ladies served a fine chicken pie supper.

Mrs. S. A. Ferguson and Mrs. Dan Harris and sons were Belmond shoppers Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Charlie Farmer of Clarion, came over Saturday to spend the week end at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Will Ferguson.

Miss Mabel Azeltine returned to her duties at the Methodist hospital in Des Moines Monday. Her mother, Mrs. Ed. Azeltine, accompanied her as far as Dows, returning on the afternoon train.

Gene Johnson of Clarion, spent the week-end with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lindsay were Dows shoppers between trains Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Edith Parliman, who is taking a normal course at the State Teachers' college at Cedar Falls, came home Saturday morning to remain till after the holidays. The college will be closed till January 1, 1920.

One church service was held at the Congregational church last Sunday morning. Christian Endeavor, Junior Endeavor and prayer meeting were held at the parsonage the past week.

Will Brook of Waverly, was the guest of his mother, Mrs. John Brooks, a few days the past week.

A. E. Emerson has been confined to his home the past week with sciatic rheumatism, which is very painful. We hope to see Mr. Emerson able to be about soon.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

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Plain and fancy colors in silk, wool, silk and wool mixtures, and cotton. In attractive Christmas boxes.

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Every man's wardrobe should contain a good bath robe. He'll like one of these especially.

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Here are gloves for every occasion. Maybe this will solve your gift problem.

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SPELLING BEE HELD.

Marian Zeiman Wins First Prize at Meservey Contest.

Meservey, Iowa, Dec. 8.—At the second annual spelling contest held here under the auspices of the school Friday evening, Marian Zieman was first; Thelman Thomas second, Tina Pals third, Mabel Paul, fourth, Howard Ables fifth. Miss Sadie Mullins, teacher in the grammar grades, told her pupils that if the first two came from her room, she would make the second prize equal to the first. Both the leaders were from that room. After the children had spelled down, it was proposed that the adults have a match. In this contest, first was won by Mrs. Dan Wenzel. Mrs. Pearl M. Tannar, deputy county superintendent, was present and pronounced the words. A good sized and enthusiastic crowd was in attendance. Supt. L. Neese and his teachers felt gratified at the results and had put a great deal into the period of preparation.—Mason City Globe-Gazette.

Ralph Tomlinson of Eagle Grove visited his mother and sisters here last week. Ralph has been working on a farm the past season but is somewhat disabled at present by an injured foot.

FOR SALE—One Ford Touring car and one Overland 90. Nordschow Motor Co., Belmond.

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CLARION, IOWA

County Correspondence

ALEXANDER

I have a prospective buyer for a 240 or 320 acre farm. Terms must be right. Oscar Hensel, agent, Alexander, Iowa.

Buys Store Building.

Geo. Clay bought the old store building south of the bank, the investment amounting to $2,250.00. Mr. Clay will move his hardware into the lower floor and will occupy the upstairs as living rooms.

Injures Foot.

Wm. Winwood received a sprained ankle Tuesday. He was in the hay mow throwing down hay. He accidentally slipped, falling to the ground. Altho it was thought he was seriously hurt, his friends were glad to hear it was not so serious after all.

Start For England.

The Messrs. Jack Hill, John Kew, Thomas Kew and Ellis Markham, left Tuesday evening on their trip to England. They expect to sail from Portland, Maine, December 13th. Their plans are to return in the spring, about April.

Owing to the coal situation all business places have received notice to open at 9 a. m. and close at 4 p .m . As yet no one is suffering from lack of fuel, but a number of families have reported to the mayor that they will be without fuel of any kind by the end of the week.

Judie Blau, who is attending school at Fort Dodge, returned home last Friday, everything at Fort Dodge being closed to save fuel, makes it necessary for the students to return to their homes.

Miss Florence Messleheiser, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. George Dunn, and also recuperating from a recent attack of typhoid fever, started on her homeward journey last Wednesday. From here Miss Messleheiser will enjoy a few weeks visiting with relatives in Toronto, Canada. From there she will start for her home at Long Beach, California.

Mrs. Geo. Clay visited with her mother, Mrs. Livermore, at Latimer, Saturday.

Mrs. Ed. Butler and sons of Hampton, returned home Friday, after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Arends.

Miss Henrietta Schulte and Mrs. Jelto Beenken were shopping in Belmond Wednesday.

Norman Bohlen, Merele Hansen and Reynold Kinseth enjoyed a week's visit in Chicago, the boys going in with stock which was shipped by the Farmers association.

Rudolph Beenen was a Hampton caller Friday.

Mrs. L. E. Reed went to Latimer Wednesday and Thursday for medical treatment.

John Lieuwein of Belmond, was transacting business for the Northern Sugar Beet company Wednesday..

Miss Wilma Foughty spent the week-end at the Benson home in Belmond.

Art Peters and Frank Bohlen, attended the show "The Love Kiss" at Hampton Monday night.

Fred Dunn spent Wednesday and Thursday transacting business at Mason City.

Charley Winwood and Ray Harris acted as jurors at Hampton last week.

Misses Lelia Klinefelter, Edna Larsen and Marie Pals spent Saturday shopping at Hampton.

Joe Veeder spent a few days at Belmond last week.

Karl Kirch had the misfortune of cracking a bone in his right knee. He is able to be around on crutches at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslich were visiting with Mrs. Kieslich's parents at Hampton Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Klienfelter shopped in Hampton Wednesday.

Mrs. Will Foughty visited with Mr. and Mrs. King of Latimer Wednesday.

Addie Larsen is spending the week at home, Edna having taken her place at telephone operator at Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bomgardner of Kanawha, spent Thursday settling up accounts of Mrs. Bomgardner's sale of household goods Friday.

Mrs. F. D. Rodemeyer and baby spent Wednesday at Hampton.

SCHOOL NOTES

Red Cross Seal Sale.

The annual sale of Red Cross seals is being carried on in this community by the school children. The pupils especially the smaller ones, are exceptionally successful as salesmen. They have never learned the meaning of the word failure. Neither do they take no for an answer.

Yea, Bo!

Master Bennie Arends has been absent from school on account of boils so located that they impaired his efficiency during assembly periods.

Sleigh Ride.

Last Thursday evening the teachers enjoyed a sled ride to the Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bohlen home. A delicious 6 o'clock dinner was served, after which the evening was spent in playing games and enjoying an impromptu musical program. Words are inadequate to express our appreciation of such hospitality.

Spring Fever in the Winter.

On account of a couple of our girls becoming the victims of "love at first sight," the girls' basket ball team was delayed at Belmond after the game Saturday night. However, Miss Nordmeir, who had charge of the birls' team, kindly but firmly informed the two girls that all would return home in the same bob-sled in which they came.

Basket Ball.

The boys' and girls' basket ball teams journeyed to Belmond last Saturday evening, where they played a "double header" with the Belmond teams. We have not heard so much about the games this week as we did last week. The Associated Press dispatches say that Belmond won both games. The local captains confirm this report, but insist if anyone wishes to know the score to please write and be sure to enclose stamped envelope for a reply. In addition to losing the game the boys lost their new basket ball, which was later found and returned by Supt. Fyler with his usual promptness for doing things.

There were several enrollments in our high school this week. Philip Geitz, William Vestweber and Joseph Pals.

Our daily attendance is holding up well considering the cold weather and snow drifts encountered by the school wagons.

Miss Theresa Mors and Clifford Hansen visited with Grandma Peck last Sunday evening.

Miss Gartz, fourth and fifth grade teacher, is quite ill this week. Miss Jessie Bell is substituting for her.

Last Tuesday's blizzard cut the school attendance down about half. Several of the drivers did not attempt the trip. Several children suffered frozen hands and feet.

Helen Wuttke is quite sick this week. We are pleased to hear that her condition is improving rapidly.

The decorations in the various rooms remind us that the holiday season is upon us. Our school will close Dec. 19 for the mid-winter vacation.

Theodore says: "If she ever does such a trick again, I'll put the skids under her." Joe up to this time has not expressed himself publicly. Charles still insists that he got the choice of the whole bunch.

Two additions to the eighth grade this week: Christal Wenzel and Arthur Fresleben.

The sale of Christmas Red Cross seals is progressing nicely. We expect to sell our quota.

OLAF

Mrs. Geo. Thompson and Mrs. S. O. Windecker spent Saturday in Belmond on a business trip.

J. Ericson of Elliott, Ill., returned home Wednesday after spending several days visiting with his brother, E. N. Ericson.

Mrs. C. Lucas and daughter, Maxine, were over Sunday visitors at the Henry Lieu home. Mrs. Lucas and Mr. Lieu are brother and sister.

Hoyt Stonebroke of Hampton, spent Sunday at the Henry Anderson home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hatt are visiting relatives at Maquokato, Iowa.

Mabel Eliason and Willie Johnson, two of our best young people, stole a march on their friends by hieing away to Belmond, where they proceded to the Lutheran parsonage and were united in matrimony by Rev. Jenson. They then went to Minnesota where they will visit relatives and friends at various places. Upon returning they will reside on a farm in Norway township. We, with their many friends, extend our congratulations.

Mr. Thorson of Kanawha, spent several days of last week visiting his uncle, August Johnson.

The teachers and children are preparing a Christmas program to be given the day before Christmas.

The Ladies Aid society will meet with Mrs. E. N. Ericson Wednesday, Dec. 17. A good attendance is desired.

"HOME BUREAU"

(To the tune of "Old Black Joe.")

I.
Gone are the days, when mothers never talked;
Gone are the days when we stayed at home or walked;
Now in our car each month we gladly go,
To hear our "Home Adviser" at the Home Bureau.

Chorus:
We're coming! We're coming! We wish you all to know,
We never miss a meeting of our Home Bureau.

II.
Go to the schools, where they daily serve hot lunch,
These teachers boast they have a happy bunch;
No box to fill—the mothers gladly go
To watch the demonstration at the Home Bureau.

III.
No sickness now—our chart hangs on the wall;
So many calories—be sure to have them all;
If we need help, ask questions—don't we know
The demonstrator'll answer at our Home Bureau?

IV.
Once we ne'er stopped 'till all was spick and span,
Oft worked all day to please the inner man;
Now once each month we spend an hour or so,
Discussing labor sayers at our Home Bureau.

V.
Won't you come and join us in our work today,
Won't you help us find the safest, sanest way,
As though the world we go,
To make our home life better
And thus perfect the labor of the Home Bureau?
Chorus—

—Mrs. Clarence Youle.
McLean Co., Ill.

Put Thought Into Your Christmas Giving.

Sincere desire to make your friends happy on the day of days leads you to give them the finest gifts you can afford.

The heart always goes into the gift.

But this year, when nothing should be wasted, least of all the money, time, energy and labor that go into the selection and delivery of Christmas gifts, the brain ought to take a big part also.

Don't buy useless, inappropriate or inharmonious articles, however, beautiful, or expensive or well-intentioned they may be. Be sure your gifts belong to the places where they are going.

Choose for thought, after a study of the situation—then choose for the home.

You can't go wrong when you put something beautiful, useful or superlatively comfortable into a home.

Get busy now and help us make this Christmas the happiest ever. The world needs it.—Shannon.

P. E. P.

Pep is a word used considerably in the every-day conversation and lexicons of youth. A Missouri traveling man gives this as the definition:

"P"—Prosperous people, particularly persons possessing precise perceptive powers, preclude possible penury, promoting potent propaganda, praising prudent proprietors.

"E"—Eagerly explaining every equitable enterprise, energetically expunging every enervating emotion, employing expedient enchantments, eradicating erroneous embellishments. Excellent emoluments evince energetic endeavor excites encomium.

"P"—Proper presentation positively produces propitious pondering, patient persistence, procures pliant, pleased purchasers proud possessors, proclaiming positive pleasure pronouncing probable permanent patronage.

NEW CO-OP. STORE WILL BE STARTED IN CLARION

Clarion is to have a new People's Co--operative store.

This was the announcement made by Manager Noble of the Eagle Grove Co--Operative store who was in Clarion with his business associates Monday.

The store will be started in three or four weeks, according to Mr. Noble. He says that it will be patterned after the Eagle Grove and Fort Dodge co-operative stores. He claims that they have been most successful and that the local store will prove popular with the people of Clarion.

Negotiations are on for a location and it is expected that a denite announcement will be made next week of the plans.—Clarion Clipper.

The Belmond Independent office is headquarters for high class job printing. Everything new.

Belmond Local News

George Baxter is the new manager of the Farmers' elevator at Olaf.

—I—

W. C. Tyrrell returned from a recent business trip to Beaumont, Texas.

—I—

Mrs. J. E. Wallace and daughter Jessie were Hampton callers last week.

—I—

Mrs. Nell Sorenson visited at the Senenfelder home in Dows last week.

—I—

Miss Webb, a Clarion teacher, was the week-end guest of Miss Cross.

—I—

Oscar Lein and wife of Kanawha, were Christmas shoppers here Saturday.

—I—

The M. E. Bazaar was very successful, netting the society about $260.

—I—

The Wright county Poultry Show is being held this week Dec. 16-18 at Eagle Grove.

—I—

Harold Jenison and wife were visiting relatives in Allison and Humboldt last week.

—I—

Miss Inez Kent is making an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Pete Lienwen in Des Moines.

—I—

Henry Crist left Monday of this week for California, where he will enjoy the sunshine and roses durinr the winter months.

—I—

Wayne Pond leaves this week for Corvallis, Oregon, where he will visit his mother, Mrs. Mary Pond, and probably remain until spring.

—I—

Cordy Butterfield of Mason City and W. A. Butterfield of Goodell spent a few days at the Bert Butterfield home last week.

—I—

Harold Wallace and W. O. Eaton, our local electricians, are kept busy looking after trouble caused by the recent fires in Belmond and Goodell.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Fetrow are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter, born Friday, Dec. 12. The little one will be known as Sarah Adele Fetrow.

—I—

Dows Advocate: Mrs. Andrew Vallin of Belmond, who has been visiting at the John Erickson and Oscar Nelsoo homes, returned to her home Tuesday.

—I—

In a letter received from Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lord, they state that they are spending the winter with their son Lou and wife, in Minneaolips.

—I—

Mrs. W. O. Butterfield, formerly of Goodell, is making her home with her son, Bert Butterfield, since the Goodell fire. Mrs. Butterfield was fortunate in saving her furniture and books and will store the same for a time.

—I—

Chas. Moore and Howard D. Moore of Belmond were initiated into the Medina Council No. 126 at Eagle Grove Friday, Dec. 5. There were 24 other candidates from 9 different towns, necessitating an afternoon and evening session. A fine dinner was served by the Episcopal church ladies at 6:30. Grandmaster C. Huttonlocher of Harlan, Iowa, was a guest of honor. Speeches were delivered by M. Patron of Hampton and Rev. Souires of Rolfe.

Mrs. Bert Jenison visited in Dows last Monday and Tuesday with Mrs F. A. Edwards of Spokane, Wash. Mrs. Edwards was a former resident of Belmond and is spending the winter with her son Chas. and family in Dows.

—I—

Mrs. Sid Martin of Carroll, Iowa, returned home last Tuesday after a few days visit at the Martin homes west of town. She was accompanied by her little son and daughter who have been spending about six weeks with relatives here during Mrs. Martin's recent illness.

—I—

Sherman Arends of Alexander, who has been attending Dubuque college, has been given the honor of being the first full-back on the all-conference football team and third place as full-back on the all-Iowa state team. Mr. Arends has been studying for the ministry and believes in the training of the physical as well as the mental and spiritual man.

—I—

Since the fuel restrictions, as far as the churches are concerned, have been removed, all the usual services will be held this week and next Sunday. Mid-week service Thursday at 7:30 p. m. Services for Sunday: Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. and preaching services at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth League devotional meeting at 6:30 will be led by Miss Ruth Pierce.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Church left Sunday for California. They went by the way of Mason City to join a party of tourists having a special car for the west. The Churchs' address will be 259 S. Normandi St., Los Angeles, Cal. The Rosecrans family will visit their son, Leo, in Los Angeles and have planned to extend their trip to Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands.

BULLETIN

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 13, 1919.

All Agents:

Effective 12:01 a. m. Thursday, Dec. 18th, passenger trains on Rock Island lines which was temporarily curtailed Dec. 8th on account of coal shortage, will be restored.

L. M. ALLEN, P. T. M.

Chicago Great Western.

North

No. 12	2:48 a. m.
Motor	9:24 a. m.
No. 16	1:59 p. m.

South

No. 11	1:29 a. m.
No. 15	3:53 p. m.
Motor	5:19 p. m.

NEW PASTOR HERE

The Rev. Welke and family arrived in Belmond last week from Madison, South Dakota. He has moved into the German Lutheran parsonage. Rev. Welke will serve both the Belmond and Alexander charges.

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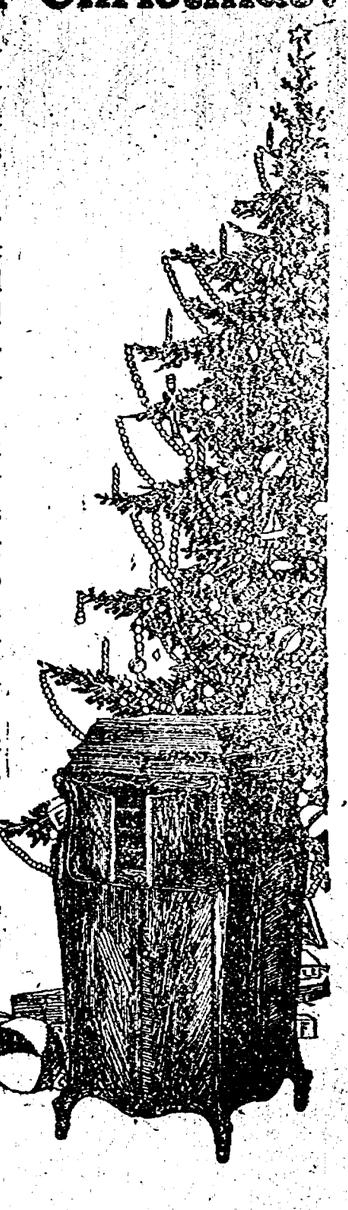

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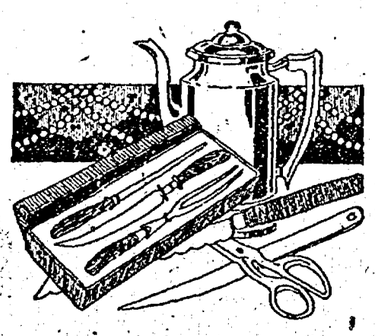

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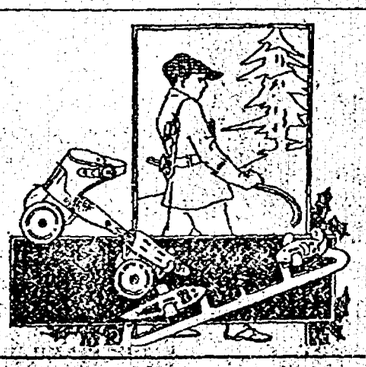

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IS THERE A PLACE FOR CHRIST?

By Rev. J. H. Edge.

Again we celebrate the Christmas time. Good will reigns everywhere. All are joyous and happy. We remember our friends with gifts, in honor of the Great Gift which God gave to mankind in the form of His Son 1920 years ago. We greet our friends with gladness in memory of the message of "good tidings and great joy" which the angels brought to the shepherds as they watched their flocks, by night, on the Judean fields. We are glad and rejoice in that our needs are all met and that a measure of success and prosperity is ours. But in all of our Christmas gladness and festivity do we bear in mind the real significance of the day?

That day prophecies and promises centuries old were fulfilled! That day God came Himself to this old earth to live with men and show them the way of life! That day there was born to us in the city of David, a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord! Little did the men and women in Bethlehem that day realize the great significance with which that day was fraught. Oh, yes, they understood that it was a great day, for it was the day of enrollment. Caesar Augustus had sent out an order that a census be taken, and instead of someone calling upon the people, all must go to their own city and register. To some it meant a long and tiresome journey. The means of travel and transportation were not then what they are now. Men travelled on foot or by donkey. For Joseph and Mary it was a journey of about 85 miles from Nazareth to Bethlehem. We are told how long they were on the way, but from what we are told it is evident that they arrived somewhat late, or at any rate after a large number of people had arrived, for "there was no room for them in the inn."

As we look back to that first Christmas day we are rather surprised that someone did not make room, or in some way find room for the mother of Jesus, and for Jesus himself. Yet the people of that day were very much like the people of the twentieth century. I doubt not that the same reasons which account for His having no place in the hearts and homes of men and women of our age will likewise answer for his having to be born in the manger in Bethlehem. There were good men and women living in Bethlehem, who, had they known would gladly have provided a room for the Christ. There are many hearts that would readily respond to His knocking today, if they but knew that He was waiting to be received. But the fact remains that one-half the people who have lived have never heard of Jesus Christ.

There were others in Bethlehem who were thoughtless and indifferent to the need of Mary or the Christ child. They had seen Joseph and Mary come into the village and noticed that they were apparently tired and weary, and understood that every place in the inn was occupied, but they did not think of giving their place to anyone else. If they had only known that it was the Christ how gladly they would have stayed up all night that He might occupy the room they had engaged for themselves. Many there are today who thoughtlessly and indifferently permit the fact to remain that there is no room for Him.

But the Bible story gives us still another suggestion: "There was no room for them in the inn." Every available home and room had been previously occupied by other guests. Many a life is so filled and thrilled with other things in these days that there is positively no time or place for the Christ.

We could hardly say that the men of Bethlehem were really wicked or bad men. But this we can say, they were thoughtless or thinking only of themselves, and the truth remains that "there was no room for them in the inn."

Day after day we are making and hearing these same excuses for not making room in our lives for the Christ. Every prompting to do right is a chance to let Christ in. Every opportunity of service where there is real need, is Christ before us, seeking an entrance. And Christ wants our lives not merely as an inn or a stopping pace, but as a dwelling place, a place where He may stay not merely over night, but all of the time. Christ wants not only a fractional part of our life but all of our life. He claims to be the Lord of Life—"of an empire which stretches from the most trivial detail of domestic obligation to the high politics of international life." The task of His church is not merely to save the soul, in the narrow traditional sense, but to conquer the whole of life, that from end to end it may be governed by the purpose and spirit of the Christ. Have you made room for the Christ in your life and home? If not, will you not at this Christmas time? There will be no better time.

THE PRINCE OF PEACE

By Rev. E. A. Welke, St. John's Lutheran Church.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Thus we hear all the world rejoicing at Christmas time. There is good cause for such rejoicing, for this is the message with which the angels of heaven broke the silence of night and proclaimed the birth of the Prince of Peace at Bethlehem. "Peace on earth," this was the object of his coming.

What is the nature of the peace that this Prince of Peace is bringing us? Are wars and rumors of wars to cease? If that were what the angels meant to say, their words would sound like bitter irony, for what ruinous wars and blood shed and gruesome persecutions, even in the name of Christ, and under the banner of the cross, occurred since the coming of teh Prince of Peace into the world. That this Prince of Peace did not come to establish an outward condition of peace among men and nations we see from His own teachings, for he says St. John 15:19: "Because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hated you," and verse 20, "If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you." Here He tells His disciples that they will be hated and persecuted even as they hated and persecuted him. Hatred and persecution are not found where an outward condition of peace rules supreme. The peace which the angels proclaim to the world in their Christmas message is the peace of God, an inward condition of the heart.

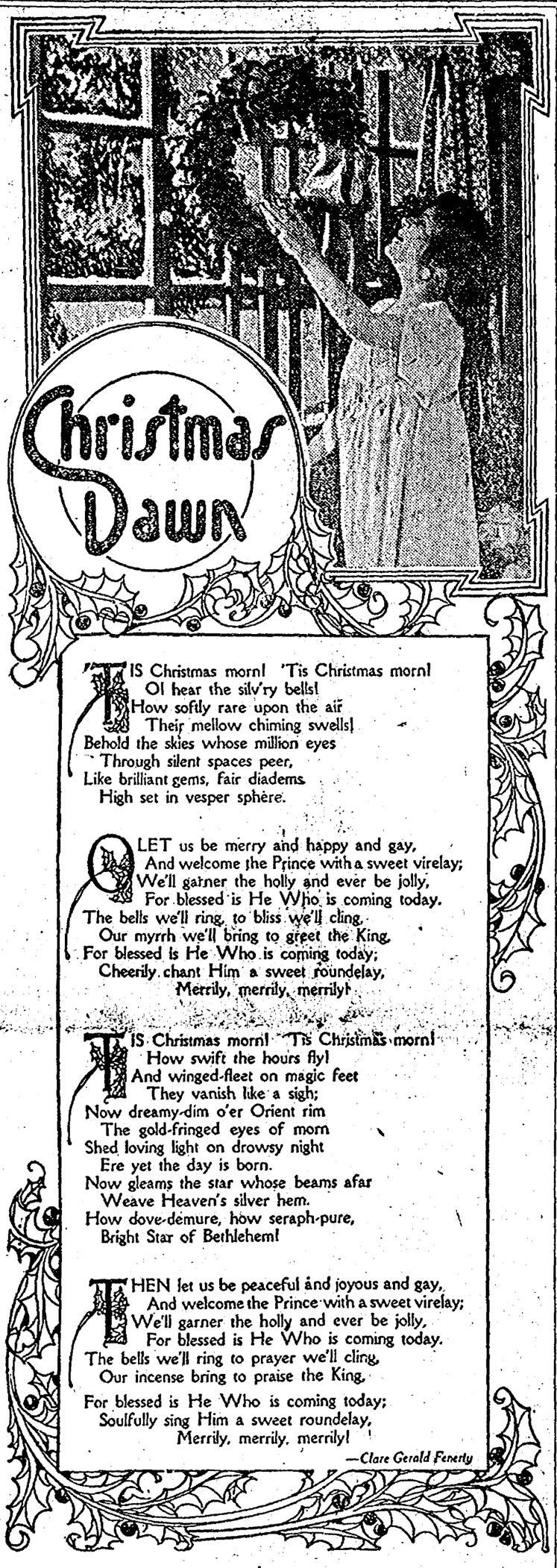
Man, in his perfect state in which he came forth from the hands of his divine maker, was not in need of a Prince of Peace, for he lived in peace with his God and fellow man. Rightcousness united all things in a harmonious whole and the will of God was done by all creatures. But this condition of peace was of short duration. Man sinned. Dissolution and ruin was the result. Thru the fall of man sin entered into the world and peace sorrow fully departed. Hatred came to take the place of love, enmity drove out friendship, anger, envy and strife had their beginning.

It was this that made necessary the coming of the Prince of Peace to re-establish peace between God and man by procuring and promising salvation to all the world thru faith in Him as St. Paul says: Romans 5:1, "Being justified by faith we have peace with God thru our Lord Jesus Christ." It was this condition of the world that caused the heavenly hosts to herald the coming of the Prince of Peace in that grand hymn, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Thru his blameless life, his life without malice and hatred, his innocent suffering and death, he brought about the great reconciliation between God and man and thus restored peace on earth good will toward men.

It is this peace that the Prince of Peace re-established here upon earth. The "peace of God that passeth all understanding;" peace that makes it possible for us to draw near unto our God; peace that is capable of filling our hearts with love and kindness and "good will toward all men." It is the peace of Christ, the Prince of Peace, therefore,

"Glory to God, from whom on high,
All gracious mercies flow!
Who sends his heav'n descended peace
To dwell with man below."



'TIS Christmas morn! 'Tis Christmas morn!
O! hear the silv'ry bells!
How softly rare upon the air
Their mellow chiming swells!
Behold the skies whose million eyes
Through silent spaces peer,
Like brilliant gems, fair diadems
High set in vesper sphere.

LET us be merry and happy and gay,
And welcome the Prince with a sweet virelay;
We'll garner the holly and ever be jolly,
For blessed is He Who is coming today.
The bells we'll ring, to bliss we'll cling,
Our myrrh we'll bring to greet the King,
For blessed is He Who is coming today;
Cheerily chant Him a sweet roundelay,
Merrily, merrily, merrily!

'TIS Christmas morn! 'Tis Christmas morn!
How swift the hours fly!
And winged-fleet on magic feet
They vanish like a sigh;
Now dreamy-dim o'er Orient rim
The gold-fringed eyes of morn
Shed loving light on drowsy night
Ere yet the day is born.
Now gleams the star whose beams afar
Weave Heaven's silver hem.
How dove-demure, how seraph-pure,
Bright Star of Bethlehem!

THEN let us be peaceful and joyous and gay,
And welcome the Prince with a sweet virelay;
We'll garner the holly and ever be jolly,
For blessed is He Who is coming today.
The bells we'll ring to prayer we'll cling,
Our incense bring to praise the King,
For blessed is He Who is coming today;
Soulfully sing Him a sweet roundelay,
Merrily, merrily, merrily!

—Clare Gerald Fenerty

CHRISTMAS DAY.

By Rev. A. H. Waakles.

Christmas day is the day on which the nativity of the Savior is observed. Wherever Christianity has gained a foothold and has made inroads in the lives of peoples and tribes, the Christian festival has taken its time-honored place.

Every religion has their prophet, whose teaching and new revelations have become the foundation of their profession. Confucianism worships and honors Confusius as their prophet and teacher. Buddhism regards Buddha as the founder of their sect. The Mohammadans find in Allah their leader and the Mormons recognize Joseph Smith as the founder of their religion. Not only religious bodies, but every organization, temporal or permanent, has its founder, leader and rules of conduct. The success of any organization lies in the proper concentration and strict application of these principles.

The Christian religion, in like manner, has its founder, prophet and leader, in the person of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Christmas day brings back to our memories His birth in the little town of Bethlehem. Jesus Christ is the foundation and cornerstone of that great edifice, the church of the living God. Thru His teaching and exemplary life, the basis of this enormous structure was laid and laid deeply. It was not momentary in its origin. The words of prophecy, foretelling the coming of the Christ, covers a period of some 4000 years. The coming of Christ is a fulfillment of the prophecy extending over a prolonged period of preparation. Since his birth, twenty centuries have rapidly rolled by and the benevolent influences of his coming have followed in their wake.

Compared with other religions, the Christian religion has surpassed all others in point of time, influence and extensiveness. The coming of Christ explains the reason. The Christian religion contains an element not found in comparative religions, a solution of the troublesome problems of sin. This religion does not seek to avoid it; it does not seek to evade it, but gives positive and explicit directions concerning it.

The Book of Books, the only authority of this body of believers, distinctly and definitely sets forth this greatest of all problems and the issues involved. "Cursed is everyone that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them."—Gal. 3:10.

So immense and world-wide is the true nature of sin and its consequences, that the King of Light from His realm of Holiness was forced to

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NO PAPER NEXT WEEK.

The Independent force will take a vacation during the holidays, from Dec. 24 to Jan. 1, and consequently no paper will be issued next week. The time between the two holidays is a dead one, with nothing doing, and a paper issued then would not be worth reading. The next paper will be issued Jan. 7.

Twenty-Fifth Jubilee To Be Celebrated

REV. FATHER BARRY TO BE HONORED DECEMBER 30—PUBLIC TO BE INVITED.

An event of unusual importance occurs in St. Francis church of this city December 30, at 10 a. m., commemorative of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the ordination of Rev. F. A. Barry, pastor of St. Thomas church of Webster City, Iowa.

A quarter of a century ago the jubiliarian was raised to Holy Orders in the historic Sulpician Seminary, Montreal, Canada. Immediately following ordination, he returned to his old home in Belmond and in the old church, since supplanted by the present structure, officiated for the first time in his sacredotal character.

The occasion twenty-five years ago was attended by numerous classmates and neighboring priests most of whom survive and will join in the solemn ceremonies December 30.

Special music under the direction of Miss Maye Tracy is being arranged for the occasion.

At the Solemn High Mass at 10 a. m. the celebrant will be assisted by a deacon and sub-deacon chosen from his classmates. The sermon will be delivered by Reverend E. J. Dougherty of Oelwein, Iowa, a fellow student. A public reception will be held in the community room of the city library at 7:30 p. m., at which time a short program will be given and light refreshments served.

An invitation to the solemn services at the church in the morning and also to the reception is cordially extended to the people of this vicinity by both the pastor and the people of St. Francis church.

Father Barry having spent his boyhood days in this vicinity, and his frequent visits from the various parts of the diocese where he has served, have kept him in close touch with his old friends, all of whom join in paying him honor in this event.

ANOTHER BELMOND BOY MAKING GOOD

Harry Wolcott is expected home Wednesday for a few days' visit with home folks.

Harry is another Belmond boy who is doing exceptional work in the business world. He is employed by the Herring Motor Co. of Des Moines as their illuminating engineer or efficiency light man, with a territory covering five states.

He is considered authority on every kind of light bulb and his business is to procure contracts from large building projects, such as hotels, colleges, factories, etc., for light bulbs of which there are hundreds of kinds.

His past training and experience have especially fitted him for successful results in this line of work.

While at the University of Iowa, he majored physics and in overseas work was connected with the sound and ash branch of the service. Later he studied the details of bulb manufacturing at the light factory at Mela Par, Cleveland, Ohio.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our appreciation and thanks for the kindness shown us by our friends and neighbors during the illness and death of our sister and aunt, Mrs. Anna Savercool, and for the many beautiful flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fulton and Children.

Belmond people will have a real treat Jan. 3 in the illustrated lecture by Corp. Freutel on war scenes. Prices wil be 25c and 35c.

In the school auditorium Jan. 3 Corp. Freutel will deliver an illustrated lecture on war scenes. Tickets will be 25c and 35c.

Belmond Boy Gets Another War Medal

EX-SERVICE MAN RECEIVES VERY HIGH HONOR.

Edmund P. Groh Awarded Distinguished Service Medal

Bravery in Great War Brings Added Honors to Already Long List of Awards.

Edmund P. Groh, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh, has been awarded the distinguished service medal, next to the highest award of honor in the United States given to ex-service men.

Press dispatches of December 11 carried mention of the award as announced by Secretary Daniels, among the recipients being Admirals Simms and Mayo, and a number of vice and rear admirals.

The distinguished service medal is awarded by the president to anyone in the naval service who, since April 6, 1917, or thereafter, distinguishes himself by exceptionally meritorious service to the government in a duty of

EDMUND P. GROH.

great responsibility. Two dollars per month extra pay from the date of the act is provided for in the award.

Edmund was among Belmond's first volunteers, enlisting in the pharmaceutical corps of the navy, and later had himself transferred to the world-famous Sixth Marines, where he saw a chance for quick action. He saw fighting at Belleau Woods, Soissons and St Miehiel and was wounded twice. He was cited by Secretary Daniels, General Pershing and the French government and was awarded the Croix de Guerre, besides the distinguished service medal.

His honors are the result of his bravery on the battlefield when he refused to be evacuated until he had completed the dressing of all the wounded brought to him, despite the fact that his left arm and shoulder were torn to such an extent by a high explosive shell that later forty stitches were required to close the wound.

Edmund's new honor is an honor not only to himself, but to the town. Only about 175 out of the entire American forces received the D. S. M. and Belmond is proud of the fact that one of her native sons is worthy such a distinction. No greater honor has ever been conferred upon a citizen of Belmond, than the award which has been given the worthy lad who is known to his friends as "Nubbins."

Peter Kaufman has purchased the J. E. Stonebreaker residence, known as the Angie Kaufman property, the price reported being $2300. Peter does not intend to move in from the farm right away, but has the place in case he ever wants to.

Belmond people will have another real treat this week Friday, when "The Hoodlum" comes to town. This is the second of Mary Pickford's own pictures from her own studios, and like all of her pictures is one of the best. "The Hoodlum" is a play that sets Mary off at her best and one which will be well worth attending. At the Lyric Friday, matinee and evening, 25c and 35c, plus tax, and worth every cent of it, too. Don't miss a real treat.

Farm Page News

MODERN FARM LIFE COMPARED WITH CITY LIFE

A Few Facts Discussed by a Local Agricultural Instructor.

Why do so many people have the idea that the farm is such an awful place to spend the winter months? Many people have a very peculiar imagination; some imagine the farm house is a small building, poorly constructed, no modern equipment, with perhaps two or three feet of snow piled up around the house during the entire winter. They think the farmer has to wade mud or snow up to his knees every day during the cold months.

People say, "My land," he (meaning the farmer) has to arise in the early dawn when the mercury is 18 to 20 below zero, then go out to feed and take care of the horses, cattle and hogs, and also to do the milking, which city people think is an awful job.

The city people always look on the dark side of farm life, never seeing the bright spots on the farm. It is true the farm is very disagreeable at times, but those times are more than offset by the many fine points which will be considered.

None will deny the fact that a farmer is independent and that a farm is a good investment. If this were untrue so many of our city business men would not be the owner of farms. Many of these men know very little about farm life.

What does the farmer raise in his garden and fields during the spring and summer months that his family and he can eat during the winter? All kinds of vegetables and fruits are prepared during the summer and fall for winter use on the farm. Besides these things the farmer has his own pork, beef and fowl meats, which he has provided himself and is not required to go to the grocer or butcher to buy before each meal is prepared. One of the first things that makes winter life on the farm enjoyable is the wonderful meals prepared by the farmer's wife. Food is what makes a farmer or any person feel in fine spirits.

Who has the most time to spend with his family, the business man or the farmer? The city business man eats his meals and at once he returns to his work. With the farmer it is different in the winter time, for the simple reason that every day the farmer is not compelled to do a certain piece of work at a certain time, thus on the stormy days the farmer is enabled to spend most of the day with his family, while the business man has to be at his work away from home.

The present modern farm houses have all the conveniences of the town houses. Running water, furnaces and electric lights. The farmer furnishes his home as nicely as the man living in town. A piano and an Edison or Victrola are to be seen in nearly all farm homes. Thus the farmer really enjoys these more than the man in town because he has more time to enjoy them.

Some people say that the young people coming to town school suffer great hardships going and coming during the winter months. Is this statement exactly correct? Hardly so, altho it will have to be granted that some days during the winter are disagreeable and cold. However, you talk to the boys and girls from the farms and they will tell you how they like to hitch Old Dobbin up to the sleigh and drive to town.

A few points have been discussed very briefly to show the opinion of the writer that life on a modern, up-to-date farm in the winter is not so disagreeable as people think.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TRAPPING

Find Lucrative Emipoyment During Enforced Vacation.

Some of the older boys of the high school are finding a lucrative employment during the enforced vacation hunting and trapping. Two or three of the boys conceived the idea of adopting the Indian method of earning a living and their success has caused others to follow the same uprsuit. Some of the boys have confined themselves to hunting rabbits for the market, but others have gone into the trapping game on a rather extensive scale and have met with good results. Monday two members of the senior class were planning to go on an expedition near Long Point, sleeping out under canvas. The severity of the weather did not seem to cause the trappers very serious concern. By banking the tent with snow and carrying a large oil stove they expect to keep quite comfortable.—Marshalltown Times.

THE INNOCENT BY-STANDER

The coal strike, they say, has been settled. And as usual the innocent by-stander, in the shape of the deer peepul, have to foot the bill. It was a game, with the miners playing one end and the operators the other. And both were playing both ends against the middle, with the public being the middle. The miners get a raise, the operators get out from under, and what do the people get? Just what the innocent by-stander always gets, stung.

The biggest trouble with the coal strike was the foreign element, the cause of most of the unrest and dissatisfaction in America to-day. If the I. W. W., Bolsheviki, and kindred disturbing elements were removed the labor situation so far as the working conditions are concerned would be settled. For the American laborer works under conditions so far superior to those of foreign countries that there is no comparison whatever.

The one big trouble is the radical from some old war-worn country that has ground its people into the dirt for centeries, and the poor deludod and half the time illiterate inhabitant of that country who comes to America expects to find about the same order of conditions here. And he hasn't sense enough to realize a good thing when he sees it.

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55 HEAD OF HOGS 55

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1 Moline Beet Lifter,
1 Harrow Cart,
1 Hay Loader,
1 8-inch I. H. C. Feed Grinder,
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1 Cutter,
1 Grind Stone,
1 Spring Buggy,
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1 5-foot Mower,
1 Hayes Corn Planter, with 100 rods of wire,
1 8-foot Disc,
2 Riding Corn Cultivators,
1 P. & O. Beet Plow,
1 20-foot Harrow,
1 11-foot Seeder,
1 1½ H. P. Engine,
1 High Wheel Wagon, with 36-in. box,
1 36-inch New Wagon Box,
2 Hay Racks,
2 Bob Sleds,
1 Hand Corn Sheller,
1 Emery Stone,
2 Single Buggies,
4 sets of 1½ inch Harness,
1 Single Harness,
10 Collars, all sizes,
1 Set Cord Nets,
1000 Bushels of Good Corn,
Some Potatoes,
3 10--foot Steel Hog Troughs,
25 Bushel Self Hog Feeder,
1 Hog Oiler,
1 Cream Separator,
1 Cider Press,
1 Saddle,
1 Fanning Mill,
1 15-bushel Steel Seed Corn Dryer,
1 60-foot 6 inch Belt,
1 24-foot 6 inch Belt,
1 20-foot 2 inch Belt,
1 Big Stack of Straw,
1 Double Driving Harness,
1 Shetland Pony Harness,
2 Sets Leather Fly Nets,
8 Tons Mixed Hay,
19 Sacks Seed Corn,
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SUGAR FACTORY NEWS

W. H. Adams, Superintendent of the Iowa Valley Sugar company, left for a business trip thru Michigan and Ohio. While there he will renew old acquaintances at Freemont, Ohio, where he was Superintendent of the Continental Sugar company eight years ago.

Guy Milligan, paymaster of the Iowa Valley Sugar company, will visit with his mother at Alma, Michigan, over the holidays.

At a meeting of the directors of the Iowa Valey Sugar company held in Belmond December 8, they were very much pleased with the progress made.

There are few more contracts needed to complete the acreage for the new sugar plant. Boost the home company.

The lagoon at the northeast corner of the Sugar company farm has been flooded and all skating enthuiasts are invited to join the merry skating crowd. Seats have been provided for along the bank.

A. K. Thelin, Superintend of construction of the Iowa Valley Sugar company, says construction on the new plant will continue thru the winter.

Alman Krapp will leave for Detroit and Blissfield to visit over the holidays.

Another carload of beet seed of high test has arrived for the Iowa Valley Sugar company. Mr. Holt, Agriculture S uperintendent, reports a high germination on this seed.

If the young folks are enthusiastic about ice skating why not form a moonlight skating club and build a coffee house on the bank of the new lake provided for skating? We could also run an arc light over this rink.

G. A. Beard, agriculturist for the Iowa Valley Sugar company, was at Goodell last Thursday and Friday and secured acreage enough at this point for the erection of a modern beet dump.

John Lieuwein, Agriculturest for the Iowa Valley Sugar company, has made arrangements for a switch and unloader to be placed at Helland's Siding on the M. & St. L. R. R. between Alexander and Belmond. This will make it very convenient for beet growers near this point.

John McNicoll, district superintendent of the Iowa Valley Sugar Co. at Garner, is now located in his new home. Mrs. McNicoll and child arived last Thursday.

While Belmond and surrounding country is primarily an agricultural district is no reason why we should silo ourselves for the winter. Let's enjoy the winter sports—skating and sleighing parties. All we need is somebody to start something.

Should Be Quanantined.

Many physicians believe that anyone who has a bad cold should be completely isolated to prevent other members of the family and associates from contracting the disease, as colds are about as catching as measles. One thing sure—the sooner one rids himself of a cold the less the danger, and you will look a good while before you find a better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to aid you in curing a cold. For sale at Adams Pharmacy.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

These tablets are intended especially for indigestion and constipation. They tone up the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. They act gently on the liver and bowels, thereby restoring the stomach and bowels to a healthy condition. When you feel dull, stupid and constipated give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with their effect. For sale at Adams' Pharmacy.

Splendid Cough Medicine.

"As I feel that every family should know what a splendid medicine Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is, I am only too pleased to relate my experience and only wish that I had known of its merits years ago," writes Mrs. Clay Fry, Ferguson Station, Mo. "I give it to my children when they show the slightest symptoms of being croupy, and when I have a cough or cold on the lungs a very few doses will relieve me,, and by taking it for a few days I soon get rid of the cold." For sale at Adams Pharmacy.

SCHOOL BOY WANTED—To work after school and Saturdays. No cigarette fiends or loafers need apply. Nordschow Motor Co.

MOTOR NOTES

STORAGE BATTERIES.

Questions That Have Been Asked From Time to Time, and Answers.

Question: Is it necessary to do anything to my battery? It seems to need nothing. It is working all right and has been for the last four months.

Answer: You should have filled it up with water three and a half months ago. A battery will continue to give some energy as long as there is any solution left in the same, but if the solution is allowed to get too low, it becomes stronger and stronger, and finally destroys the bottom of the plates and the insulation between the plates. If you have not filled your battery for four months, you may find that you have injured it by allowing the solution to get too low.

Question: Can I put a solution of sulphuric acid and water in my battery to make up for evaporation? I was told to do this and still my battery will not work.

Answer: You should use pure water only for filling. The sulphuric acid solution is used only when you know the battery solution has been spilled.

Question: My battery box seems to have been eaten out at the bottom. It is so thin that I will have to buy a new one. Is it the fault of the battery box?

Answer: It is possible that you may have filled the battery too full, and when the battery was put to use the solution inside expanded, running over the top and down the sides into the steel battery box, eating away the bottom. You should fill the battery only to the level of the inside hole, which can be seen by looking into the vent holes of the battery.

Question: I charged my battery from my electric rectifier over night, then filled it up with water and it would not work.

Answer: You should have filled it with pure water before charging, and then you should charge it up so that the specific gravity is up to 1.275 or over per cell. This might take more than one night.

Question: I have a neighbor who gets more light than I do—what is the reason?

Answer: Some cars give more power than others. For similar reasons some generators on cars give more electric current than others, permitting larger lamps to be used.

Question: My man dropped my battery—only a couple of inches—but it seems now that he cannot charge it. How can I fix it?

Answer: You probably have a broken jar and the solution has run out. Fill all the cells up, let the battery stand an hour or more and see if one cell goes down faster than the others. If it does, the battery must be taken off the car and repaired.

Question: When a battery shows 6 volts, and still will not crank the engine, what is the matter?

Answer: A battery will show nearly full voltage when it is empty. Voltage does not indicate volume. The battery may not contain enough ampere hours of energy to do any work. Test the solution with a hydrometer and see if it is up to full specific gravity. If the battery will not crank the engine, it is probably discharged. Specific gravity 1.150 or lower.

Question: I saw a man snapping a wire across the wires of a battery to see if it was charged. I am told that this is bad practice. Am I correct?

Answer: Yes. A battery should be tested with a Hydrometer Syringe to ascertain its charged condition.

DO YOU LIKE TO SKATE?

A Fine New Skating Rink Free—Can Be Used by Everybody.

Sugar Company Invites the Town to Use Their New Lagoon Any Time.

Every lover of the greatest of winter sports, skating, will rejoice to hear that the Iowa Valley Sugar company is building one of the finest skating rinks anywhere around, at their grounds just south of town, and that the company invites every lover of the sport to make use of it at any time, free.

The sugar company has just completed a new lagoon at the northeast corner of their grounds, at the bend of the river at "Box Springs," and are fixing it up into a first class skating rink. They have built and installed seats around the lagoon, have cleaned the ice off in good shape, and have it all ready for use.

Mr. Richards of the company is at the head of the affair and asks every skater in Belmond to talk over with him the idea of forming a skating club. He says the company will run a wire to the lagoon and light the rink up in first class shape, so that skating parties may enjoy the fun gests that the skaters get together and see about erecting a coffee house at the rink, which can be done for a very small sum. There is plenty of local musical talent which could be secured at most any time and some most enjoyable moonlight dances, skating dances, held. The company makes absolutely no chore whatever for the use of the lagoon. There are a number of good skaters among the company officials who will use the lagoon and they desire to have the young people in Belmond enjoy the fun with them.

The lagon is 100 yards long by 65 yards wide, largo enough to accomodate a crowd of several hundred at one time, and large enough to hold some mighty interesting races. Belmond has some up-to-the-minute skaters, both fancy and speed, and if they are at all interested they will find it worth their while to see Mr. Richards. There is apparantly no reason whatever why Belmond cannot have a very enjoyable skating club this winter.

The lagoon is easily accessible, a path running directly to it from Mr. Richards' new residence at the company grounds. It is exceptionally protected from the cold winds on the north and south,as it is on low ground and among trees. It is an ideal location, close in to town, an easy walk and should furnish good, clean, wholesome fun and amusement thruout the winter. Ask Richards about it.

A good magazine makes an ideal Christmas present—and it is not too early to be ordering it. Do your shopping early, and do it at a reasonable price with the R. A. Rankins Magazine Agency. tf

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

To all its friends—and enemies, too, if it has them—the Independent wishes the merriest of Christmases the happiest of New Years. We want you all to know that we appreciate the support you have given us, a support which has been truly gratifying and of which we hope we have been and will continue to be worthy. We have endeavored to give you all, both readers and advertisers, a paper worth while, and promise you that in the year to come we will continue to give you the best possible service.

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year, Folks!

SOCIETY NOTES

Card Club—

The "500" club will meet with Mrs. Herman Schultz on Monday evening, December 29.

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Rebekah Lodge No. 162—

The annual election of officers for the Rebekah lodge will be held Wednesday evening of this week.

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Priscilla—

Mrs. Geo. Jenison will be hostess to the Priscilla club on December 30. The day of meeting has been changed from Wednesday to Tuesday for this one week.

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Royal Neighbors—

The regular meeting of the Royal Neighbors will be held at the home of Mrs. Rufus Morse on Saturday, December 27, at 2:30 p. m. The annual election of officers will take place at this time.

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Rosary—

A special meeting of the Rosary society was held at the J. N. Johnson home last Thursday to prepare Christmas packages for those little folks who do not always have their rightful share of the holiday joy and cheer.

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Brotherhood—

Last Thursday evening was the regular meeting date of the Brotherhood of the Trinity Lutheran church. The following program was given:

Solo—Rev. Jensen.

Paper — "Church Spirit," Lloyd Skovlin.

Talk—Rev. Jensen.

Refreshments were served by P. N. Amblie and J. A. Anderson.

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Sodality—

The first meeting of the Sodality society for this season was held with Miss Nelle Delaney on Tuesday evening, December 15. A very enjoyable time was spent in playing "500" and dainty refreshments were served. An exciting feature of the evening was the bob-sleigh ride and the "tip over" without which no sleigh-ride is complete. The society will meet every two weeks in the future. Miss Nell Sullivan is president.

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Christmas Program—

The Hickory Grove school, of which Miss Marie Leavy is teacher, gave a very successful program and tree on last Thursday evening. Santa Claus was present and delighted the audience by giving an impromptu dance to the music of a Victrola, after which he bestowed gifts upon all the happy youngsters in the crowd. Every family in the district was present to enjoy the fun. The director, John Deltman, presented Miss Leavy with a substantial amount of money from the patrons in special appreciation of her efforts as teacher of their school.

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Shower—

Miss Madge Jackson was the guest of honor at a shower given by the Bridge club at the home of Mrs. Joseph Bohning last Thursday evening. The house was beautifully decorated with Christmas colors and a tree. The evening was spent in games and in a country school program in which each of the ten members present was required to show her elocutionary ability by "speaking a piece." The distribution of the presents from the tree revealed the fact that each guest had been remembered by a gift.

Found—A bunch of keys. Call at the Independent office.

Belmond Local News

Supervisosr D. E. Harris of Rowan, was in town on business last week.

—I—

Mrs. Patric McNamara and daughter went to Mason City last week.

Miss Aileen Flynn went to Goldfield Friday with the basketball girls.

—I—

M. F. Birdsall of Clarion was a Belmond caller last Monday between trains.

Mrs. Guy Baker and Mrs. Geo. Brady were Mason City shoppers last Saturday.

—I—

John J. Sharon arrived Wednesday to spend his vacation with his wife and daughter.

—I—

Miss Alberta Pierce returned Friday from Mount St. Clare college, Clinton, Iowa.

—I—

Seth Thomas of the law firm of Healey, Thomas & Healey, was in the city last week Monday.

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Miss Gladys Barry is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Barry.

—I—

Miss Gladys Baker has improved rapidly since her recent serious operation at the Steele hospital.

—I—

Mrs. Clarence Winey and daughter of Spencer, Iowa, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lynch.

—I—

W. E. Bullard was a caller at Garner last week, on court business at the District court in that city.

Charles Roe, who was formerly night clerk at the Hotel Case, is taking medical treatment at Mason City.

—I—

Harold Hembd returned last week from Iowa City, where he is taking the course in liberal arts at the university.

—I—

Rufus Morse came home Friday morning from Iowa City, where he is taking a course in electrical engineering.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dipple are rejoicing over the arrival at their home last week Tuesday morning of a fine 10-pound baby girl.

—I—

Miss Marie Johnson, who teaches at Rock Valley, Iowa, is enjoying a two weeks' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Johnson.

—I—

Miss Adeline Sharon, who is attending school at the St. Clara college, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. John Sharon.

—I—

Miss Cecelia Barry returned last Monday from St. Clara college, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin, to spend her vacation with Belmond relatives.

—I—

Harry Tyrrell returned Saturday from Iowa City, where he is attending the university. He is taking a course in the school of commerce.

—I—

It is reported that F. C. Aldrich has purchased the Rule property abutting on Main street just west of the town bridge, consideration was said to be $400.

—I—

Miss Hattie Wolcott, who is assistant cashier for the National Travelers Benefit association, is expected home Wednesday for a few days' vacation.

—I—

Margaret Johnson, who is taking the teachers' course at the Iowa State Teachers' college at Cedar Falls, came home December 5, as the college was closed because of lack of fuel.

—I—

Miss Jean Wolcott came home last Wednesday for her holiday vacation and will return to Des Moines on Dec. 29. Miss Wolcott is a teacher of industrial arts in the Des Moines junior high school.

—I—

Miss Nell Pierce, who teaches in the Marshalltown schools, has been having vacation since December 5. She has been visiting with Mrs. J. E. Rowen of Rowan, and with her mother, Mrs. Lillie Pierce of Goldfield.

—I—

F. W. Tanner and family have returned from a visit to Mr. Tanner's brother at Crystal Lake. The family intend to move to Idaho next week, to make their future home. Mrs. Tanner is a daughter of Mrs. L. Wendell.

Miss Grace Richards of Clarion, home demonstration agent for Wright county, went to Mason City last week to act as judge of an exhibit of home canning and cooking displayed by the women's organization of the Farm Bureau at the Corn and Grain show.

—I—

Dr. and Mrs. G. F. McBurney expect to leave December 27th for California, where they will spend several months. They expect to locate at Geo. Beard has been ill for about a week.

—I—

Atty. Tiernan was a busines caller at Kanawha last week.

—I—

Joe Fulton of Ft. Dodge is visiting relatives in Belmond.

—I—

H. J. Klemme Lumber company has two cars of coal on the track.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard and grandchild left today for California.

—I—

Mrs. Purnell fell down cellar at the Dibble home and cut her head quite badly.

—I—

Notice—T. O. Tomson, tailor, will be located in rooms over the Sullivan barber shop after Dec. 25.

—I—

The Cong. Ladies Aid will hold a Social in the church parlors Tues. eve. Dec. 30. All friends are cordially invited.

—I—

Joe Kaufman, who has been visiting relatives and friends in St. Paul returned home last Friday. He was accompanied by his cousin, Ernest Stonebreaker, who will remain until after Christmas.

Miss Hunt, a Latimer teacher, was a between-train guest of Miss Maude Newgard.

—I—

Charlie Wise, field man for the Iowa Valley Sugar Co., has gone to Toledo, Ohio.

—I—

San Diego, the doctor planning to take a short course in a medical college, doing review work.

—I—

Miss Jeanette Benson and Miss Trumbell, who teach near Kanawha, will have vacation Thursday and Friday of this week.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Wallace expect to have all their family at home for New Years. Mrs. Lizzie Russell lives at Grey Eagle, Minn; Miss Rose Wallace has been teaching at Manchester, Ia., and Miss Mae Wallace is clerking at Dayton's in Minneapolis.

—I—

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Coburn returned Thursday from Portsmouth, Ohio, where they have been the past month visiting some brothers and sisters of Mr. Coburn. Mr. and Mrs. Coburn will make their home at Cornelia, where George will take up his new duties as proprietor of the Cornelia store.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anderson left Tuesday for their former home at Thompson, where they will spend the holidays.

—I—

Mrs. Wm. Schooler left last week for the home of her mother at Woodward, Iowa. Mr. Schooler will leave today to join his wife. They will later visit Mr. Schooler's parents in Des Moines.

PASSING OF AN EARLY SETTLER

Anna Amelia Fulton was born June 11, 1852, at St. Charles, Kane county, Illinois, and died at Fort Dodge December 16, 1919, at the age of 67 years.

On November 18, 1868, the Fulton family, including the father and mother and two children, Anna and Fred, came to Iowa Falls, which was then the end of the railway system and drove overland to Belmond.

On Christmas day in 1871 Anna Fulton was married to Henry A. Savercool and made her home on a farm west of town. After a few years they moved to Belmond, where Mr. Savercool died about nineteen years ago last fall.

Mrs. Savercool suffered a stroke of paralysis on January 22 last winter and in February was taken to St. Joseph's hospital in Fort Dodge, where she received excellent care for forty-three weeks. She was baptized in February, 1919, and became a member of the Catholic church.

Funeral services were held at St. Francis church in Belmond, Friday morning, Feb. 19, Father Eardley officiating. Interment was in Franklin Grove cemetery beside her husband.

Her death marks the passing of one of the earliest settlers and of one who was always faithful and helpful in any work in which she took an interest. She was a member of the Golden Rod Rebekah lodge.

Geo. Braun of Peru, Illinois, was in town last week Thursday, looking after some business matters. He is the owner of a farm west of town. Mr. Braun recently returned from Wisconsin, where he says, it has been 22 below zero. In Illinois he found it colder than in Wisconsin, altho the thermometer did not register as low.

The Chapman school south of town will be reopened. This will take about a dozen pupils from our grades.

The renter and small money man's paradise. See Wolle.

ANNOUNCEMENT

To the People of Belmond and Vicinity

THE

New Idea Plumbing Shop

W. H. ADAMS, Proprietor
FRANK TROWBRIDGE, Plumber

TAKES this opportunity to advise that arrangements have been completed for the opening of another first-class plumbing establisnment in Belmond, and that we propose to carry a high-class stock of equipment and material for this work.

We are now prepared to figure on any of this work which may offer and will be pleased to consult with anyone planning new work, remodeling or needing repairs.

We are expecting to carry our stock in the Martin building in the rear of the Parsons Grocery Store, and, while we have not as yet received any of our stock, we have material on the way for a number of jobs already secured and are in good position to secure all material needed.

Our policy will be one of service and we wish to assure you that no job can come too large to tax our ability or too small to warrant and secure our very best service.

Our Mr. Frank Trowbridge is a thoroughly capable and trained plumber, well posted and familiar with the newest ideas in Sanitary Hygienic plumbing, and we will offer you nothing but the best, both in material and service.

A telephone call to 255 or 260 will insure an appointment and our best efforts to serve you.

The New Idea Plumbing Shop

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AND

A Happy Prosperous New Year

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Good Lumber?

OR KNOT HOLES AND DISAPPOINTMENT

THE WISE BUILDER knows that good materials must be ingredients of his edifice.

If the materials are not good the beauty of the plan, the uniqueness of the work, or the cleverness of the appearance will, in the long run, amount to not more than the poorest boards.

If it is only a fence, it pays to use good material. Buy good lumber, and you will not be wasting your money on knot holes and disappointment.

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YOU CAN SAVE—DO IT. COME IN.

YOU WILL RECEIVE FOUR PER CENT INTEREST.

Belmond Savings Bank

THE VOICE WITH A SMILE

YESTERDAY MORNING.
* * *
I HAPPENED TO to be.
* * *
IN A certain store.
* * *
ALONG a certain street.
* * *
AND THE manager
* * *
WAS TRYING to get.
* * *
A LONG distance call.
* * *
TO Omaha.
* * *
AND I could tell.
* * *
THAT HE was mad.
* * *
AND HE said.
* * *
THAT OUR phone service.
* * *
WAS SOMETHING awful.
* * *
AND IN a few minutes.
* * *
HE CALLED up Central again.
* * *
AND WANTED to know.
* * *
WHETHER SHE was asleep or not.
* * *
AND IF she was going.
* * *
TO TAKE all day.
* * *
TO GET his call for him.
* * *
AND HE banged the receiver.
* * *
DOWN ON the hook.
* * *
AND IN a little while.
* * *
HE CALLED her up again.
* * *
AND JOGGED the hook.
* * *
UP AND down.
* * *
TO BEAT the band.
* * *
AND CUSSED some more.
* * *
AND GOT real plain.
* * *
WITH THE operator.
* * *
AND TOLD her.
* * *
THAT SHE didn't know.
* * *
THE FIRST rudiments.
* * *
OF HER business.
* * *
OR SOMETHING like that.
* * *
AND HE never did get his call.
* * *
AND YESTERDAY afternoon.
* * *
I HAPPENED to be.
* * *
IN ANOTHER place.
* * *
AND THE fellow told me.
* * *
HE HAD to put in a call.
* * *
FOR OMAHA.
* * *
AND HE got Central.
* * *
AND TOLD her.
* * *
THE PARTY'S name.
* * *
AND WAS awfully pleasant.
* * *
AND INSIDE of two minutes.
* * *
HE WAS talking to Omaha.
* * *
AND WHEN he got through.
* * *
AND TOLD her.
* * *
THAT HE appreciated.
* * *
WHAT she had done for him.
* * *
AND I asked him.
* * *
IF HE ever had any trouble.
* * *
WITH THE phone service.
* * *
AND HE said:
* * *
"NOT A bit."
* * *
AND I'M beginning to believe.
* * *
THAT I know why.

BELMOND TELEPHONE CO.

Iowa Falls Electric Plant Running Under Difficulties.

A recent talk with W. O. Eaton, local representative of the Ia. Falls Electric company, developed the fact that the company has been greatly handicaped the past few weeks by a lack of fuel. Mr. Eaton states that the plant has been using coke screenings, and sufficient steam could not be kept up with this to maintain the power at the voltage it should be. Consequently the service lately has not been up to what Mr. Eaton calls standard.

SCHOOL NOTES

SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Jan. 9—Basketball, Dows at Belmond.

Jan. 16—Basketball, Clarion at Belmond, girls and boys.

Jan. 22—Lecture, Louis Gerhardt Concert Co.

Mrs. A. W. Martin and Mrs. Purcell visited school Thursday.

Mrs. Wallace Ramsay was a recent morning visitor at school.

The fourth grade made scrap books to put into the Community club Christmas barrel.

Mrs. Otto Madsen, Mrs. Doctorman and Mrs. Howard Forristal visited several of the rooms Friday.

Belmond's boys' and girls' basketball teams played Goldfield Friday last. Belmond girls won, but the boys lost.

Miss Royer had a beautiful tree for her little folks of the kindergarten. Several of the parents were present to enjoy the fun.

On January 3rd, Cordoral Frentel will come here to give an illustrated lecture on war scenes. We hope every one will be present, as this is surely something worth while and should be of interest to every body. The charges are 25c and 35c.

School closed Friday for a two weeks' vacation and the out-of-town teachers departed for their homes on the afternoon trains. Miss Royer will spend her vacation in Hampton, Miss Ramsay in Garner, Miss Callighan in Green Island, Iowa; Miss Hammond in Minneapolis, Minn.; Miss Randall in Ashton, Ill.; Miss Cross in Shellsburg, Iowa; Miss Miltner in Iowa City, Iowa; Prof. Desing in Wellman, Iowa, and Prof. Dickinson in Shellsburg, Iowa. Miss Purdy, Miss Butts, Miss Pletch, Miss Jenison, Miss Eastman, Miss Flynn, Miss Rankins and Prof. Fyler will remain in Belmond.

Pupils living within eight blocks of the school house will not be permitted to eat their dinner at school except of a bad stormy or extreme cold day. There is no necessity of the pupils in the vicinity of the school bringing their dinner when the thermometer is above zero. Our lunch room is crowded at noon with rural pupils and those from town living across the river and equal distance. When there is a bad storm or the temperature is several degrees below zero we will try and take care of all pupils who bring their dinners. Parents will please co-operate with us in this matter. If other causes make it necessary for the child to bring his dinner, either call the child's teacher or myself.—C. S. Fyler.

At a special meeting the school board decided to make the necessary changes for an ungraded room. The room formerly occupied by Miss Flynn's sewing classes will be provided with the required furniture and used for this new department. About twenty children will be placed in this room, including those pupils from the grades who need special help. There will be no special grades in this room, but every child will be placed in the group where he can do the best work and receive help in the particular study in which he is deficient. As soon as any child shows sufficient improvement, he will be placed again in the graded school work. At the beginning, this room will be used mostly for the foreign-speaking children. Miss Maude Rankins has been elected to take charge of this work and to act as critic teacher for the normal training class.

The Brat, a powerful dramatic story of a gutter waif, gives Nazimova a role which displays to the full her rare dramatic art. The story tells of a little girl of tht slums, known to the other gamin of her acquaintance as the Brat, from the day she is found in the night court by a rising young author in search of "local color" for his new novel.

Fed, clothed and comfortable, the Brat is good to look at and it is not long before a romance develops between the two. This is regarded with consternation by the family who try to make the life of the girl unbearable. The dramatic and amusing incidents which crowd one upon the other and are woven together in this screen masterpiece give the gerat star a role which reveals her intense and gripping power. Belmond folks will miss one of the best pictures of the year if they fail to see "The Brat" at the Lyric Dec. 31. Matinee and evening. Prices 25c and 35c, plus war tax.

Work and you'll keep warm.

ROWAN DEPARTMENT

School Closed for Christmas Vacation.

The Rowan consolidated school closed Friday for a two weeks' Christmas vacation, the instructors going to their homes, except Miss Kirwink, who will visit her sister at Reinbeck, and Miss Aten will spend part of her vacation with friends at Indianola, where she attended college.

First Term of School.

Miss Blanche Box has recently finished a twelve weeks normal training at Ellsworth college, Iowa Falls, Iowa, and commenced teaching her first term of school Monday, Dec. 22, at Chapman school, two miles south of Belmond. Her many friends wish her success in her new vocation and we predict that Miss Box will make an excellent instructor.

Spend Holidays in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bingham spent a few days the past week with the Bingham and Azeltine families. Mr. and Mrs. Bingham will leave this week to spend the holidays with their son, Captain Harold Bingham and family in Washington, D. C. The Binghams are former residents of this community and still own two farms near Rowan.

Rock Island Passenger Resumed.

Rowan was happy Thursday morning when Rock Island passenger No. 435 resumed its usual runs. This passenger is the main mail service for Rowan and during its vacation mail has been several days late.

Moving to Sheffield, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Stackhouse and family have packed their household goods and shipped over the Rock Island to Sheffield, Iowa, to make their home. Mr. Stackhouse has a contract for delivering at the big ditches near Sheffield.

Girls' Basketball Team to Hayfield.

The girls' basketball team and coach, Miss Linder, went to Hayfield last Friday and were defeated by Hayfield girls' team in a basketball game Friday evening. This is the first game our girls have played.

Former Pastor Here.

Rev. T. B. Couchman, a former pastor of the Congregational church, spoke at the church Sunday evening in the interest of the Congregational hospital in Des Moines. Rev. Couchman is now field secretary of the congregational hospital and is living in Des Moines. He was pastor of the Rowan church three years.

Meeting at the Hiatt School House.

The Rowan school board met with the Hiatt school board at their school house about 2½ miles southeast of town during the past week to discuss plans of taking the Hiatt school district into the Rowan consolidated school district.

Visitor From Idaho.

Mrs. Mattie Jamison and daughter Margaret, of Twin Falls, Idaho, arrived Monday to spend a few weeks at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. D. Brooks, and also visit numerous relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Jamison and family lived in the J. D. Brooks home north of town several years ago.

W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. D. W. Whitten Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. J. W. Bonnell had charge of the program and Mrs. Logan McCallum lead the study.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Ballou departed for Des Moines Wednesday to spend a few weeks and also visit their son Kenneth, who is working in Des Moines.

Miss Hazel Wilson of Clarion, who has been nursing at the Fred rBooks home the past three weks, returned home Sunday. Her patient, Georgie, is able to be about the house some, but must be careful for several weeks.

Mrs. George Whitten spent a few days the past week with her daughter Vinnie and Mrs. Mary Williams in Mason City.

Mrs. Georgiann Rowen and Mrs. Jess Steffens went to Belmond Tuesday to spend the day at the D. E. Packard home before they leave for California. Mrs. Steffens is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Packard.

James B. Stout of North Dakota, is visiting his sons Sim and Will. He will remain here for the winter.

Herb Hadley and family were Dows visitors Tuesday to meet Mrs. Hadley's mother, Mrs. Ed. Rrury, who arrived recently from Highmore, S. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacobs was called to Ottumwa, Iowa, to attend the funeral of his brother, who fell from a building and was injured, causing his sudden death.

B. L. Sater shipped a car of horses and farm implements to Middletown, Iowa, Friday. The Sater family expect to move to Middeltown, their old home, in the spring.

Clint and Fred Kerchival went to Sioux City Monday to enter a automobile school for a six weeks course. They will have charge of our garage after March 1st.

Mrs. L. D. Fitz and daughter Grace, were Dows Christmas shoppers between trains Friday afternoon.

J. F. Howell was a business caller at Clarion on Friday.

Mrs. J. D. Drury and daughter Marguerite and Miss Esther Fawley were Dows callers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Moon are parents of a fine baby girl born Tuesday.

Mrs. J. I. Drury and daughter Marguerite, of Highmore, S. D., arrived Tuesday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Drury's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fowler and family. Mrs. Ed. Drury, a former resident of Rowan and Dows, but now living at Highmore, S. D., accompanied her daughter-in-law to Iowa for a visit with relatives and friends.

Christmas programs will be rendered by the children at the Congregational and Methodist churches Wednesday, Christmas eve. Christmas trees and Santa Claus will be enjoyed by the children and a few of the elders also.

H. H. Barker was a business caller at Goldfield Saturday.

Miss Helen McCallum, who is attending Morningside college at Sioux City, arrived home Saturday evening to spend the holidays with her parents and friends.

KANAWHA

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Kalvig, Jr., spent Sunday at Belmond visiting relatives.

The Girls' Mission band and the Busy Bee society held thier mission sale Friday evening in the Lutheran church parlors. A goodly crowd was present in spite of the cold weather. The proceeds of the sale, including the lunch, netted the girls over $300, which goes to the mission.

Ed. Carlston came over from Belmond last Saturday evening, where he had been assisting in the Carlston & Skovlin clothing store.

Frank Johnson, who has been attending college at Dubuque, came home Saturday to spend his Christmas vacation with his parents.

Neil Hanson transacted business in Story City last week.

Geo. Brummund transacted business in Clear Lake several days last week.

Wm. Deibber, who has been suffering from eczema for some time, went to Rochester last week to take treatment at the Mayo Bros. hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Z. Rankin left for California last Monday, where they expect to spend the winter.

Arne Skoar of Belmond, was a between train caller in Kanawha Wednesday.

Wm. Benzler of Britt, is decorating the interior of the C. C. Lucas home this week.

Geo. aBldridge is now the owner of a pedigreed hunting pup. What George's intentions are we do not know, but we have a sneaking idea that he is going back into the hunting game again. Well, go to it, George.

Jefferson Yeakel and son Maynard, left last week for California, where they will spend the winter.

L. J. Kalvig and Oscar Lien went to Des Moines Wednesday on a business trip.

HOSPITAL ITEMS.

Mrs. A. V. Mayheu was operated on at the Steele hospital last week Wednesday for appendicitis. She is recovering nicely. Mrs. Mayheu is a daughter of Will Jenison.

Oliver Busick, who has been ill the past month or so with typhoid and a complication of lung trouble, is reported about the same, with little change either way.

Miss Gladys Skouge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Skouge, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Steele hospital last week Monday, and is getting along nicely. Miss Skouge has been attending college at Northwood, Minn.

Mrs. Will Guest, Jr., has recovered from her recent operation and has returned home.

Mrs. John D. Baker is reported as making a very good convalescence from a recent operation.

The Belmond Independent office is headquarters for high class job printing. Everything new.

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Among the Neighbors

Helping the Profiteer.

Hampton Chronicle: A man who attended a manufacturers' convention recently reported that the factories seemed more anxious not to get new business than to take it. They can't fill their orders, for the reason that production has fallen off. Great masses of people are working in an irregular and indifferent way. They take days off when they want to, and won't keep regular hours. It is no use to discharge them, because they get jobs somewhere else and they know it.

A clothing drummer reports that his last instructions were to sell as little as possible, and to keep his orders down as low as he could.

Many manufacturers say that to discourage getting orders, they put their price up to what they consider a prohibitive figure. But the orders keep coming in at any old price, and the people seem willing to pay anything that will be asked. Some of the big profits now being made in industry are due to this situation.

Many people denounce the profiteers and then turn around and by slowing up production, they play directly into the profiteers' hands. There is just one way in the world to stop profiteering. It can never be stopped by legislation. The one way to beat it is to turn out such a heavy production that the supply of all articles will be ample.

When that happens, the prices of everything will go down naturally by the law of supply and demand. But prices will never go down until production is far greater than it now is. People who are slacking on production and doing as little as they can, may think they are making more work for themselves. But the principal effect of their policy is to put fortunes in the pockets of the wealthy. When goods are scarce, you can get any old prices for them. When goods are abundant, they will sell for reasonable or low figures.

Local Sleuths Busy.

Bancroft Register: All the local sleuths were busy Wednesday morning on a mystery that is still unsolved. One of the large plate glass windows in the front of the Wessels & Fuchs store is the cause of the mystery. Ed. Hatten noticed a small round hole in the center of the glass soon after opening the store that morning. The hole is perfectly round and is the same conical shape as a drill. One small piece of glass was all that was found on the floor inside the building and what became of the balance seems to be too deep a mystery to be solved. The hole goes clear thru the glass but on the outside is only the size of a pin point, while on the inside it is fully one-half inch in diameter. Just what could have caused this phenomena, the reason if done by marauders, and what became of the glass, is the talk of the town. Some suggest that Carlisle must have paid our little city a visit Tuesday night. As the glass has been in the same window for about twenty years without any signs of a defect being apparent the concensus of opinion seems to be that the hole was drilled by an expert.

Some Wolf Hunters.

Garner Signal: If anyone knows where there are any wolves, just tell the Greiman boys their whereabouts, and they will get them. Ben, Aaron and Will recently got four. Aaron shot two and Ben and Will one a piece. Ben and Aaron brought two skins to town Thursday and got the bounty on them. One of them was a monster for a prairie wolf. They sold one of the skins to Frank Hanson and the other to Frank Wenck of Klemme. These gentlemen expect to have them sent in and have rugs made of them. The skins sold for $20 each, which, with the bounty of $10 each, makes pretty good pay for the time they put in getting them. And we would judge from talking with the boys that they rather enjoy the sport of getting them, too.

Garner Signal: When the first fire occured in Goodell last week the telephone office was one of the places destroyed. The company immediately started to install a new switch board in another building. On Friday night this building was also destroyed and the new switch board went with it. The company then installed a pay station in the hotel, so that the local service is cut off for the present. However, parties at Goodell may gotten through the pay station.

Hampton Monitor: Mrs. W. E. Hoxie and Miss Edith Hoxie of this city, accompanied by the latter's brother, Dr. D. G. Hoxie, of Barney, North Dakota, leave today for a trip thru the west. They will spend several days at the home of Frank L. Hoxie at North Platte, Nebraska, and from there will go to California, expecting to spend the balance of the winter at points of interest in that state.

MIXED FEEDS FOR HOGS.

Tests at the Iowa Station Show That None Excels the Corn-and-Tankage Ration.

Because of the widespread and increasing use of commercial and proprietary mixed-feed stuffs, it was quite timely that the Iowa Agricultural Experiment station carried on during the last few months a series of feeding tests to determine whether these feeds constitute the most economical ration for fattening hogs and to furnish the farmers of the state accurtate data on just what these various feeds do when put on practical test in the feedlots.

In these tests twenty-two lots of hogs were fed in all. Nine commercial mixed feeds were used, comprising about the round of different types. There were some with a basic ration of corn, corn-oil-cake meal and gluten feed. There were others with corn and wheat screenings and other grains as base, together with tankage or other concentrates. There was a molasses feed, one with dried buttermilk, one of fancy middlings and one based largely on oat by-product. One lot was a mixed feed compounded by the college men. Such substances as alfalfa meal, ground barley, linseed-oil meal and corn-feed meal were included in various mixtures.

Then what might be called a second test was run alongside for comparison. This was a series of pens fed on various basic feeds and by-products. The first two lots were check lots, the first being fed on a basic ration of corn and tankage and the second a ration of corn, tankage and corn-oil-cake meal. Two lots were fed on barley and tankage. One was fed on hominy feed and tankage. The question to be decided was the part that these feeds can play in substituting wholly or partially for high-priced corn and higher-priced tankage and to compare them with the commercial mixed rations.

The results of these tests were made public at the third annual hog-feeders' day held on the ground of the Iowa State College at Ames on October twenty-ninth. Before a crowd of several hundred farmers, representatives of eighteen farm journals and animal-husbandry experts from a number of other state colleges and experiment stations, John M. Evvard, in charge of swine experimental work at the Ames station, and Prof. H. H. Kildee, head of the animal-husbandry department, showed the various lots of hogs, explained how they had been fed and drew conclusions from the tests.

Out of the mass of data presented and of the discussions that followed, two big facts stood out. The first, from the data, was that no matter how skillfully combined, no matter with what fancy name it was labeled, no handmade mixture of feed could excel the old reliable Corn Belt ration of just corn and tankage or corn and tankage plus corn-oil meal.

Must Turn to By-Product Feeds.

The second fact, drawn from the discussions, was that despite the superiority of corn and tankage, the day is coming, ultimately if slowly, when corn will be too valuable as a food for humans to be used to produce pork. There is only about one-tenth enough tankage to go round anyway, right now. The time is coming when, as a matter of necessity, the substitutes and by-products, one way or another, will have to be used to produce pork.

When the time comes for using these substitutes comes, the farmer who feeds these by-products ought to be in a position to know thoroughly the value of these feeds, what they will do in this combination and that. He will want to know what grains grains they will make on clover or soy beans or alfalfa or rape pasture. He will want to know what commercial brands on the market are reliable, what firms are honestly trying to furnish him reliable feeds at profit-possible prices.

To anyone familiar with hog-feeding conditions over the middle west, where the hogs of the nation are largely bred and fed, it is apparent that there has already been a widespread increase in the sale and use of the various by-products on the market and of the various commercial mixed feeds. Farmers have been buying and feeding them with no more knowledge of what is contained in them or their feeding value except the labels on the bags or the statements in the advertisements.

This increase has come mainly in the last three years. Wartime trade conditions, high prices for pork and even higher prices for corn and tankage to make that pork, an embargo on the shipping of certain concentrates abroad that threw large quantities of feed materials on the home market—these are some of the influences that are responsible. On top of this has come the widespread increase in the use of corn products and a corresponding increase in the by-products of corn that have been marketed, either in bulk or in the various commercial mixed-brand feeds.

Representatives of five of the commercial feed companies whose feeds were in the tests were present at this hog-feeders' day at Ames and appeared on the afternoon program. If these men can be believed—and they represented some of the largest and most responsible firms in the country—they are just as anxious to find out what their feeds will do as are the experiment-station men. They sense the coming importance of the widespread development of their business and they want to know how best to handle it. They know but little about their own feeds except what is put into them.

But for the poorer feeder, the man lacking in experience or knowledge of rations, or again the man who feeds the smaller number, only only five or ten hogs a year, the buying of a good commercial mixture with the proper concentrates in it is a good buy. For Iowa, where corn is cheap, commercial feeds can hardly win as yet. But farther east, where corn costs more, where farms are smaller, where freight hauls are less, there is a much better field for the mixed feed.—By Harry R. O'Brien in the Country Gentleman.

BULLETIN.

The Following Instructions Have Been Received by Railroad Agents.

To All Concerned:

Effective at once all railroads will move to destination all commercial coal now on hand and hereafter received from connections, and will deliver on arrival in accordance with instructions contained in this circular.

Effective at once all restrictions are removed on bituminous and lignite coal and coke and coke breeze now held or that may be received from connections or mines, billed for delivery to consumers under classifications named below, and such consignments will be forwarded immediately to consignees and delivered as billed:

a. Railroads.

b. Army,, navy and other departments of the Federal Government.

c. State, county and) municipal departments and institutions.

d. Public utilities, including concerns engaged in furnishing transportation, light, heat and water for public use; also manufacturers of newsprint paper for daily use, and the printers and publishers of same.

e. Retail coal dealers; creameries; milk bottling and milk canning factories; refiners of petroleum; meat packers; greenhouses; manufacturers of yeast and sugar.

Release of coal to consumers in other classes must be made only on approval applications as heretofore.

Retail Dealers.

Instructions issued to retail coal dealers are modified to the extent of permitting delivery to all classes of consumers by truck or wagon.

In order to protect consumers in the essential classes, regulations restricting deliveries to consumers having less than one week's supply will continue in effect until further notice.

Use of Light, Heat and Power.

All restrictions on use of light, heat and power, produced from bituminous coal and coke, are withdrawn, and restores business dependent upon light, heat and power to normal basis, but does not in any way affect the regulations on distribution of coal and coke.

Wright Case to Clarion.

Clarion Monitor: The FoFrt Dodge Messenger says: Robert L. Wright will be tried on the charge of assault with intent to commit rape upon Miss Freda Becher, now his wife, in Clarion, Wright county, according to a ruling made today by Judge H. E. Fry in district court.

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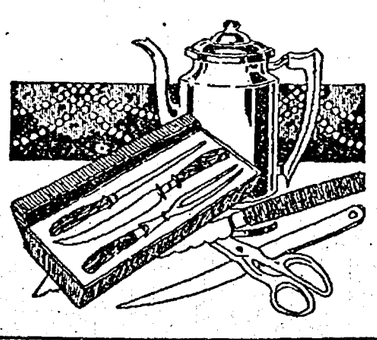

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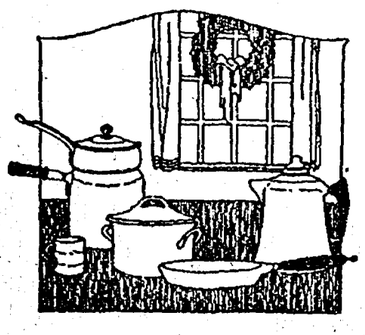

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BELMOND'S PRACTICAL GIFT STORE

County Correspondence

GOODELL

The school closed last week Friday for the customary two weeks vacation. Miss Flynn will spend her vacation principally at home in Belmond, Miss Kernan at home here, Miss Quinn at Britt, Miss Place will visit at Des Moines and other points, and Miss Meintz left Friday for her home in Dixon, Iowa.

The Goldberg family are at present located in the Goodrich cottage recently vacated by Mrs. A. Avery.

A sleigh load from Belmond reviewed the fire-swept district of this city Saturday.

William Monaghen left Tuesday for St. Paul to transact business.

Lawer Drug Co. are moving into the building west of the Raph hotel to await a more suitable location to be available following the forecasted "building boom" augured for this city.

The telephone company has recently installed its automatic switch board at the Conlan home, while the long distance department headquarters is in the Raph hotel.

W. M. Johnson, living two miles south of town, was the proprietor of a very well managed and profitable sale held Thursday of this week.

Lew Avery moved into the J. H. Bremmer house on Thursday of this week.

The postoffice is at present located in the Star theater in conjunction with the theater, the two being separated by a wooden partition.

Thomas Hamilton is installing an up-to-date furnace in his residence in south town.

It is reported the local school has enough coal to last until January 1st only. We could suggest a very timely New Year's resolution which would not go amiss for the miners.

Many are absent from school on account of colds.

A Ford tire is reported missing subsequent to the fire of course the authenticity of this report must be taken at face value.

Mr. Welch, in company with County Superintendent J. R. Boggs, inspected the local school on Thursday. Usual excellent reports are anticipated.

T. A. Davenport was here on business relative to the telephone offices installed here.

G. W. Butts was in Goodell this week.

Bert Butterfield from Belmond, is here attending to matters relative to his parents' property.

Thomas Cashman of Polo, Ill., left Tuesday after visiting his brother and renewing old acquaintances here. He contemplates visiting his son Sylvester, at present on the pay-roll of the express company at Fort Dodge.

Sumner Eldred of Clear Lake, is here attending his agricultural interests.

Mrs. I. R. Burgess is at present receiving a physician's care.

L. Wesenberg and C. Conklin are putting the finishing touches on their new residences.

Misses Flynn and Kervan, teachers in the local high school, were overnight guests at the Flynn home in Belmond.

More work was exerted on the town pump in expectation of another visit from our all-consuming friend. Looks something like the case of "using the hinges in a swing-to after the nag of 'one-hoss-shay' fame has long since been extricated."

The locals of "shin-dig" fame were in Klemme Thursday evening.

Johnny Reed was in Belmond on business Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Coryl Church were in Belmond Tuesday to do their Christmas shopping.

Mrs. Jos. Smith of Belmond, was a visitor here Tuesday and Wednesday.

A fine picture is being run as a serial at the local entertainment house. This play, named "The Mighty Elmo," is a very timely and interesting picture. Credit must be given Managers Monaghen and Erickson for their splendid shows.

Joe Briscoe is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

The adjusters are in the city making settlements with the various parties suffering from the effects of the fire.

It is presumed that Editor Letch is this week publishing his last edition for a time at least here. He can rest assured his efforts and paper are and have been appreciated and he will be the recipient of all Goodell's patronage in whatever undertaking he deems worthy of his efforts.

In the absence of Mm. Monaghen Raymond Finn assumed the duties of mail carrier. Raymond is a veritable Santa Claus to the rural children, his cutter being loaded to capacity with Christmas parcels every trip.

Dennis Conlon shelled corn Thursday.

Lee Lewis of near Meservey, moved onto the Lew Avery farm Thursday.

Prof. Tompkins of Garner, was in the city Thursday. Prof. is at present in the insurance business.

Carl Engeseth is showing his gratitude in a very unique and satisfactory manner by giving a dance free to all comers in the Star theater sometime in the near future. Carl considers the efforts of the people of Goodell during the fire epoch worthy his thanks and means to express it in this way.

Arthur Ruka's assistant went to Cedar Rapids for a short visit.

John Smith was in Garner last week doing jury duty.

Alf Carpenter was a Belmond business visitor Wednesday.

Reinstatement of the original Rock Island schedule has made travel less complex and as a consequence we are able to compare ideas with other poor mortals outside our small sphere.

Oh, well, the world didn't come to a "finis" as predicted by some bird probably ossified, petrified, pruned to the neck, but Goodell came as close as any town we know of tho as far as ending is concerned.

OLAF

The Ladies' Aid society meeting at the Eva N. Ericson home was not as well attended as should have been, owing to bad weather and sickness. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Jacob Thompson.

Eddie Thompson and Chas. Baxter shipped three car loads of stock to Chicago Monday. Eddie and Irvin Thompson went to Chicago with them.

Rev. Holm preached at St. Olaf church last Sunday.

H. Tiegert was in town Thursday, trying to hire men to haul tile.

Orpha Anderson was a business caller in Kanawha between trains Monday.

Corn shelling seems to be the order of the day, there being three shellers going during the last week.

Richard Thompson is afflicted with some very bad boils, which necessitated his losing some school.

P. Eliason is not getting along as well as his friends would like to see him.

With such severe cold weather, coal shortage and excellent sleighing, we realize that winter is here.

Marie Windecker and Geo. Baxter spent Sunday at the Andrew Lieuwen home in Belmond.

Chicago Great Western.

North

No. 12	2:48	a. m.
Motor	9:24	a. m.
No. 16	1:59	p. m.

South

No. 11	1:29	a. m.
No. 15	3:53	p. m.
Motor	5:19	p. m.

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BUSINESS PERSONALS

The United Manufacturing company are installing their machinery this week and will soon be ready for business.

Three new houses on the grounds of the Iowa Valley Sugar company are nearing completion. Carpenters and decorators are busy on the interior finish. The houses belong to W. H. Adams, H. J. Holt and R. C. Richards, respectively.

Auto Owners Take Notice.

Application blanks for automobile licenses may now be found at all the banks. To avoid penalty, these applications should be made during the month of December, of which but a few days remain. It will be necessary to give both the serial number and the factory number of the car. Do it now—today—and avoid that penalty of one dollar per month beginning Jaunary 1st.

Mrs. L. Wege of Barry Mills, Wis., has arrived in Belmond and will make her home with her son, Ernest Wege, one of the officials of the United Manufacturing company.

Theodore Wege of Barry Mills, Wis., vice-president of the United Manufacturing company, is nicely settled in Belmond and has assumed his duties with the new firm.

Statistics as a rule are dry reading, and figures apt to bore, but J. E. Pfaltzgraff of The Variety Store gave us some that we believe will interest about everybody.

Mr. Pfaltzgraff keeps accurate count of the customers who enter his store each day, from one year to another, and the following figures show the number for the same four days during the past four years:

December	8	9	10	11
1916	86	89	106	121
1917	99	108	131	157
1898	131	161	191	269
1919	125	126	124	189

Notice the increase each year up to 1919, and then notice the number less each day. The drop was caused by the restrictions and limiting of business hours. As soon as the conditions were back to normal, the number of customers jumped, as is shown by the following figures for December 15, 16 and 17:

December	15	16	17
	400	390	387

That it pays to advertise has been proven by the statements lately of some of the advertisers in the Independent. Mr. Delaney placed a very small ad in the Independent last week Wednesday. Next morning he came in and said the little ad had made him three sales. Thayer Bros. placed an ad in the Independent regarding their livery and hauling business, and now say they are kept on the jump constantly by people who "saw your ad in the paper." The Jones Harness company ran an ad two weeks about their line of heavy work harness, and made three sales of a full set of the harness and took three orders for work. It's just the same way all around. It pays to advertise. Those men made money by it, just as will anyone else who goes after the business. It is the age of competition and hustling, and the man who sits back because he thinks, "Oh, well, they know I'm in the business, I don't have to advertise," is going to keep right on sitting.

SOLITUDE

Laugh, and the world laughs with you,
Weep, and you weep alone;
For the sad old earth must borrow its mirth,
But has troubles enough of its own.
Sing, and the hills will answer,
Sigh, and it's lost on the air,
The echoes bound to a joyful sound,
But shrink from voicing care.

Rejoice and men will seek you;
Grieve and they turn and go.
They want full measure of all your pleasure,
But they do not need your woe.
Be glad and your friends are many,
Be sad and you lose them all.
There are none to decline your nectared wine,
But alone you must drink life's gall.

Feast, and your halls are crowded,
Fast and the world goes by.
Succeed and give and it helps you live,
But no man can help you die.
There is room in the halls of pleasure,
For a large and lordly train;
But one by one we must all file on
Thru the narrow aisles of pain.

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CHRISTMAS SERMONS BY BELMOND PASTORS.

(Continued from page one)

descend in the form of man, and, having no sin of His own, "was made sin for us," to the intent "that we might be in Him the righteousness which is of God."

Because the Christian religion rightly deals with the problem of sin, therefore it ranks highest and is preeminently above all others. Thru Christ, the author and founder, solves the problem with His life, passion and resurrection. This the Christmas day again preaches to us.

A CHRISTMAS THOUGHT

By Father Eardley.

How merrily the bells ring out this morning to awake us from our slumbers with news that it is Christmas day. Before we can reach the church for the early service of the Nativity, we hear the strains of the Adeste Fidelis, and they remind us with what spirit we ought to approach the manger crib. What heavenly joy will enthuse us, if we join the multitude of adorers this morning, and stand close to the stable and the crib keeping guard with the Blessed Mother, the angels and the shepherds over the Divine Child. In the long ago He came unto His own, but they received Him not. He turns to us today—a Christian nation and a Christian people asking that love and homage refused Him by the ancient world.

It is in Bethlehem "the House of Bread" He is born, to remind us, that He is "the Bread of Life"—the living Bread that has come down from heaven, that whosoever eateth of this Bread may live forever.

May this glad Christmas season excite in us that child-like simplicity with which we are drawn closer to Bethlehem that there we may feel how blessed it is for brethren to dwell together in unity and peace.

THE ANGELS' SONG.

By Rev. Henry F. Horton.

The Church re-echoes to-day, while she keeps the birthday of her Lord, the song of heavenly hosts, and in honor of the Incarnation, tunes her loftiest strains of praise. And year by year the sons of earth find help and strength in the truth that "for us men, and our salvation," He, who is "God of God, Light of Light," and "very God of very God," "came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary." In the spiritually minded this truth never fails to arouse enthusiasm and to quicken affection, and no amount of worldly hilarity or extravagent demonstration can mar the "hallowed mirth" which finds its real joy in the thought of the "Word made flesh" and the light and immortality "thus brought to light." Let us then to-day, contemplate and meditate upon the joyful yet solemn thoughts which the Angels' song suggests. We think of the "Shepherds watching their flocks by night" the simple folks of Judea, unlearned, it may be, in the schools, but keenly alert to the voice of God. We are reminded of the "mysterious way" in which God works out His wonders. We are carried from the open fields and go with the shepherds to the stable and to the manger, cradling the Christ child, and with the shepherds, first, and then with the Eastern sages, "we worship and adore" shepherds called by the voices of angels, sages summoned by signs from the stars, angels singing the mesage of heaven, morning stars shouting for joy, and the theme of both, "the dawning of the day of redemption, the Incarnation of God.

The Shepherds of Bethlehem and the "wise men from the East," how far apart yet how near together in that longing desire which nothing but Emmanuel could satisfy. We close our eyes and think again, and we see David, the shepherd boy, keeping the flock of his father Jesse on the Bethlehem plains. We see the wild beasts approach, and the youthful shepherd, armed with the

"Strength, which was as the strength of ten
Because his heart was pure."

tear them asunder and save the sheep committed to his trust. We see the shepherds on the night of the Notivity, on the same plains where David watched, patiently keeping their flocks, but oppressed with a sense of evil in their nation and longing for a near salvation, pondering over dangers which, like wild beasts of sin, threatened the safety of the whole people to whom they belonged.

The spirit of unrest was everywhere The eagle of Rome had fastened its talons deep and, politically, the Jewish nation was in its power, And, worse than this, wild beasts of sin, of unreality, of cruelty and of licentiousness were also attacking the sacred precints of the nation's heart and there seemed none to deliver. But as there burst upon the midnight clear "the voice of melody, and angel's words were heard, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men," there came to the simple shepherds the realization of the truth that the "Shepherd of Isreal" had come, the day of deliverance was at hand, and that "God had remembered his people."

Not to the king upon his throne, nor to the Sanhedrin in council assembled was the message sent, for their ears were deaf to words of will," but the message came to the "pure in heart," to the simple understanding which answered quickly the angelic summons and said, Let us go now even unto Bethlehem." And doubtless in their hearts they added as they talked by the way, "for unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsell the mighty God the everlasting Father the Prince of Peace." In the midst of all the disturbing elements that surround us comes the Holy Christmas Season with its mesages of salvation. As in days gone by, so to-day men still are mean and contemptible, seeking selfish interests instead of the Eternal Principals and Truths of Almighty God. But still God loves sinful man, and longs for all to become reconciled to Him. Look then to-day to the manger at Bethlehem, see there Love at its Divinest. Let Jesus be born anew in every heart and in every home in our beloved land, and let the angels' song ring out afresh to all, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good wil among men."

ALEXANDER

SCHOOL NOTES

LOCAL NOTES.

Miss Bertha Gartz is back to her post of duty this week after an illness of a week's duration.

Clifford Hansen spent several days at Iowa Falls visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Yaw.

Mrs. Oscar Hensel shopped in Hampton Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred Rodemeyer and son returned home last Saturday from St. Paul, where they had been to see a specialist in regard to the baby's health.

Miss Esther Hacket visited at the A. B. Arends home, returning home Saturday. She was accompanied as far as Hampton by Grover Arends.

Mrs. Williams is making an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Mary Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Foughty transacted business and visited in Hampton Wednesday.

Mrs. C. F. Klinefelter and Miss Leila Klinefelter were Hampton callers Tuesday.

Wayne and Newel Pond of Belmond, visited at the Hansen home Tuesday. They expect to leave Wednesday for Oregon, accompanied by Clifford Hanson, where they will spend the winter.

Miss Addie Larson returned to her position as telephone operator at Latimer Saturday.

The teachers and high school pupils enjoyed a bob-sled ride last Friday night to the Statlander home east of town. After arriving and finding themselves all there, the evening was spent in playing games and everyone having a good time. Light refreshments were served. All praising Miss Laura as a splendid hostess they departed for their homes early in the morning.

Last Tuesday noon was a scene of excitement. The house owned by Jerry DeVries, but occupied by George Cay, caught fire. Had it not been for the school children returning home at that time the result might have been serious, but as it was, a small hole was burned through the roof, but did not cause any further damage to the property. The cause of the fire was thought to be from a faulty chimney.

Mrs. Chas. Hansen and son Wilbur, were in Hampton Tuesday, where Wilbur receives medical treatment for his eyes.

Christmas exercises will be given in all the churches Christmas eve. Everybody welcome.

The card club enjoyed a pleasant evening at the C. F. Klinefelter home last Friday evening. This club is composed of the young married people of Alexander, there being thirty members. The evenings are spent in playing cards, or when it is possible to get the hall, dancing is enjoyed by all. Those acting as hostesses were Mrs. Clay Klinefelter and Mrs. Bernald Kinseth.

Notice—Parties who have been helping themselves to straw from my stack on the Highberger farm are known, and if they do not settle immediately they will find themselves in trouble.—Adolf Dorr. 6-1

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EX-SERVICE MEN GIVEN BANQUET

ROWAN BUSINESS MEN GIVE GREAT ENTERTAINMENT TO SOLDIERS.

One of the most enjoyable and successful affairs ever held in Rowan was the ex-service men's banquet held on Thursday evening, December 18, at the Congregational church dining rooms. The rooms were beautifully decorated in the American colors, red, white and blue, with American flags and bunting, the tables being decorated with red carnations, and uniquely featured by tanks and airships.

The banquet was given by the Rowan business men, in honor of the ex-service men, their wives and lady friends. The guests gathered in the auditorium of the church, and were entertained with music by the Meeker orchestra of Clarion, Miss Jeannette Kurwink rendering two very pleasing vocal solos, which were roundly applauded. An address, filled with wit, was delivered by the Rev. J. W. Bonnell, in which he related a dream he had about the troubles of the business men in getting up the banquet.

At 8:00 o'clock the guests were invited to the dining room, where they were treated to a delicious four course banquet. The menu was as follows:

Oyster Cocktail.
Celery. Olives. Pickles.
Saltines.
Roast Chicken, brown gravy dressing.
Cranberry Conserve Cheese.
Buns. Butter.
Sweet Wafers. Salad.
Ice Cream. Cake.
Nuts. Candy. Coffee.

With the Rev. J. W. Bonnell acting as toastmaster, toasts were given by F. B. Sheldon, "Indictment of the League," and by Prof. Grimes, "What the Boys Took to France." They were very good and were highly enjoyed.

After the banquet the guests were taken to the Majestic theater, where they were treated to a five-reel feature picture, a war review.

The following people were present at the banquet:

Committee in Charge.

R. Virden, R. H. Keith, Jas. A. Whitten.

The above committee had full charge of everything.

Waiters.

Fred Brooks, Fred Hackley, D. W. Whitten, Chas. Huber, Theo. Hansen, Leonard McCallum, Bert Harris, Guy Sheldon, A. C. Rietz, Joe Patton, Jr., L. R. Fritz head waiter.

Decorating Committee.

Theo. Hansen, D. W. Whitten, Mrs. D. W. Whitten, Mrs. F. H. Brooks.

Reception Committee.

F. B. Sheldon, O. E. Ballou, Mrs. D. W. Whitten, Mrs. J. W. Bonnell.

Table Committee.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum, Mrs. Chas. Huber, Mrs. W. H. Whitten, Mrs. R. H. Keith, Mrs. Fred Hackley, Mrs. L. R. Fitz, Mrs. O. E. Ballou, D. A. French, W. H. Whitten, L. A. McCallum.

W. H. Whitten done all the carving of chicken.

Boys.

Howard Box, Willard McCallum, William Rietz, William Fergusen, Grant Bray, Dr. W. N. Gordon, Guy Toyan, Clarence Williams, Gae Fletcher, Joe Honson, Duncan Farren, Roy Ursenback, James Rowen, Floyd Allen, Prof. Crowell, Walter Meyers, Mertell Meyers, Gordon Brinkman, Ora Braden, Harvey Aldinger, Frank Cholewinski, Harold Virden, Dean Fitz, Chas. Aldinger, Albert Erickson, Fred Aldinger.

Girls.

Mesdames Howard Box, Willard McCallum, William Rietz, William Ferguson, Grant Bray, W. N. Gordon, Roy Ryder, Ray Williams.

Misses Grace Fitz, LaVonne Ballou, Marie Smith, Sadler, Aten, Linder, Kurwink, Mildred Azeltine, Leah Whitten, Marjory Pritchett, Esther Fowler, Nina Burt,, Edith Parliman.

The banquet as given was highly successful, and did full credit to all those who had part in getting it up. The Rowan boys who served in the Great War, are deserving of all the honors that can be shown them, and in the banquet last Thursday evening the home town endeavored to show in a measure its appreciation and pride in them as native sons and true Americans.

Trial in Justice Court

Geo. P. Hardwick, Justice of the Peace for Belmond township, held court last Friday, in the town hall. After hearing the evidence and arguments in the case of Mrs. Annetta Jenkins vs Mr. and Mrs. M. Johnson, to dispossess them of the property leased of the plaintiff, found for the defendants. T. Tiernan and W. E. Bullard were the attorneys.

LEGAL NOTICE.

Notice of Incorporation.

Pursuant to authority granted by Charter Number 27909, issued by the Secretary of State of the State of Iowa, the following notice is hereby published.

The name of this corporation shall be the United Manufacturing Company.

The principal place of business shall be Belmond, Iowa.

The capital stock authorized shall be $75,000.00, divided into 750 shares of the par value of $100.00 per share, all shares to be common stock.

The object of this corporation shall be to manufacture, buy, sell, handle and deal in concrete mixers, steel fence posts, shingle mills, trip hammers, punch press products or parts thereof of every kind and description, and the doing of all acts and things necessary or incidental in any way to such business.

The directors to hold office until the first annual meeting shall be Ernest F. Wege, Theodore Wege and Chas. D. Drnek,, and the officers shall be as follows:

President—Ernest F. Wege.
Vice-President—Theodore Wege.
Secretary—Ernest F. Wege.
Treasurer—Chas. D. Drnek.

The company shall begin business October 10th, 1919, and continue for a period of twenty (20) years unless sooner lawfully dissolved.

Insofar as permitted by the laws of the State of Iowa, the private property of the stockholders shall be exempt from corporate liability.

The highest amount of indebtedness to which this corporation may at any time subject itself shall not exceed two-thirds (2-3) of its paid-up outstanding capital stock.

United Manufacturing Company.
By Ernest F. Wege, President.

Published in the Belmond Independent Dec. 24, 1919, Jan. 7, 1920, Jan. 14, 1920, and Jan. 21, 1920.

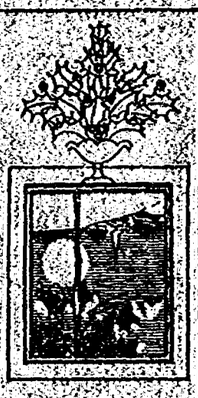
LYRIC, CHRISTMAS DAY.

First Show 7:00 P. M. Admission 15c and 25c, Plus Tax.

The spark divine, Marcia Van Arsdale, called herself "a girl without a heart," and beieved it, too. Then along came young Robert Jardine, like young Lockinvar, "out of the west," and Marcia's ambitious parents managed to marry their daughter to the rich young mine ownar. Even after their little boy is born Marcia doesn't care for her hussband, nor her child, until the baby is kidnapped one day. Then the spark divine, the mother love, comes to the front and Marcia frantically searches for her baby. The search results in more than the finding of the child, for it brings together the man and the woman and happiness for them all. Alice Joyce is the star.

Ruth and Alma Johnson, former Belmond students, were in town enroute to Latimer. They are attending St. Olaf college at Northfield, *Minn.*

The Home of Kuppenheimer Clothes



We take the pleasure of THANKING YOU for the liberal patronage we have enjoyed since opening our new store.

Accept our Best Wishes for

A Merry Christmas

and

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

CARLSTON & SKOVLIN

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WE HAD THESE GOODS SHIPPED BY EXPRESS, AND THEY ARE NOW ON DISPLAY AT OUR STORE. IF YOU HAVEN'T SEEN WHAT YOU WANTED,

Your Gifts Are Here Now.
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MANY NEW TOYS, TOILET SETS, RECORDS, BOOKS, STATIONERY, AND A LARGE VARIETY OF CHRISTMAS GOODS FOR YOUR SELECTION. SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY AT THE

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Christmas Bargains

For the Christmas Dinner

DO YOU ENJOY A NICE PORK ROAST OR A NICE JUICY BEEF ROAST?

For the Christmas dinner you can buy one of those nice juicy Beef Roasts, just the thing for a good enjoyable dinner, for 25c a pound.

Veal Roast, per pound 30c
Veal Steak; per pound 40c
Veal Stew, per pound 20c
Best Beef, per pound 35c
Best Beef Boil, per pound 18c

Leave your orders early for Christmas Poultry---Chickens, Ducks, Geese, and Turkeys

Pork Roast, per lb. 30c
Pork Sausage, per lb. 30c
Spare Ribs, per lb. 25c
Pork Liver, per lb. 15c
Pork Chops, per lb. 30c
Hamburger per lb. 25c

Oysters per quart, 80c.

Let us do your butchering. We will do it Right at a Right Price.

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THE HERALD-PRESS

"BELMOND HAS IT"

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BELMOND, WRIGHT COUNTY, IOWA, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1919

VOLUME 6, NUMBER 31

BELMOND'S BIGGEST YEAR IN CONSTRUCTION STARTS TOMORROW

OBJECTIONS TO PAVING COST ARE HEARD

SEVERAL OBJECTORS APPEAR

Most Objections Were To Methods Of Assessment

Last Monday evening at the City Hall the City Council held their meeting to hear objections to the benefit assessments levied against private property in Belmond to pay for the street paving done during the past year. A plat and schedule had been on file and had been inspected by citizens interested during the past two or three weeks. About twenty different citizens objected to she assessments levied against their property, the objections being filed in writing with the city clerk. The council took up theo bjections one at a time and heard any oral objecions which might be offered in addition. W hilethere were one or two minor errors pointed out which no doubt will be adjusted by the council the greatest criticism offered by any of the objectors was aimed at the method adopted by the council of assessing the cost of paving street intersections and also the cos of engineering and oher overhead expense. Both these items are added to the paving and draining cost proper and spread over the private property benefited. It was contended by some objectors that hese items should be paid by the town at large and thus the costs thereto spread over he property of the whole town. Since the method used by the Belmond council is almost universally used in making street improvements and since that was the plan adopted anda dvertised in beginning this improvement it of course will not be changed. Some of the objectors had their difficulties explained away and relieved while others did not. The assessments as scheduled, with as noted above a few minor changes, will stand and be levied by the council. Of course any one believing that they are over assessed or that either the amount or method of fixing the amount is illegal will have opportunity of recourse to the courts. It is not likely, however, that any citizen not fully satisfied will take that recourse.

JACKSON-CONNOR

At eight o'clock on Christmas evening, at the Methodist parsonage in Belmond, occurred the marriage of Miss Margaret Jackson and Mr. William Connor. They were attended by the bride's sister and brother, Fanny and Clyde Jackson, with the Rev. J. H. Edge officiating, using the ring ceremony.

Miss Jackson has taught successfully in the schools of Belmond, Clarion and Eagle Grove and for the past two and a half years has been the very efficient principal of the grammar department of the Belmond schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Connor have lived in Belmond for some time and have a host of friends who wish them a happy and prosperous wedded life. They left on the night train for Minneapolis and St. Paul, where they will spend their honeymoon. Upon their return they will be at home to their friends in the Rosecrans apartments, over the Belmond Furniture store.

The Herald-Press is very glad to join in extending congratulations and good wishes to this very worthy couple. Miss Jackson has for some years maintained a home in Belmond keeping her younger brothers and sisters together adn ni school and is not only a young lady of splendid character and accomplishments, but is also well endowed with those qualities which will not fail to make her as wife and home-maker a prize well worth winning. Mr. Connor is a reliable and successful business man of Belmond and undoubtedly realizes his good fortune in winning his bride.

WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

For Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys: Generally fair with normal temperature.

OLIVER BUSICK

Oliver Busick was born September 9th, 1874, and died on the old home farm December 25th, 1919, at the age of forty-five years, three months and sixteen days. He had been sick for about eight weeks, six weeks of which were spent in the hospital.

On May 3, 1899, he was united in marriage to Miss Mabel Morris, of Belmond; to this union were born nine children, one, Burdell, died at the age of two, the other eight survive the death of their father. They are Clarence, John, Joseph, Alvin, Rhea, Marie, Jessie, and Ruth.

Mr. Busick has lived all of his life in this vicinity, making him one of the oldest residents of the community. A number of years ago he became a member of the Odd Fellows lodge, and has continued a member in good standing until the time of his demise.

Mr. Busick leaves to mourn his departure two sisters and four brothers: Mrs. Ed. Wiggins of Belmond, Mrs. Alex Ross of Garner, Henry, William and James of Belmond, and Perry of Cherokee, Iowa. Besides the immediate family Mr. Busick leaves a number of other relatives and many friends who mourn his departure.

Funeral services were held from the home at one o'clock and from the Methodist church at two o'clock, on Sunday, in charge of the pastor, Rev. J. H. Edge, and the Od Fellow lodge, members of the local lodge acting as pallbearers. Interment was made in Frankin Grove cemetery.

ORIGINAL NOTICE

In the District Court of Wright County and State of Iowa. February term, 1920.

Lora M. Jennings, Plaintiff,

vs.

The Unknown claimants to Lots Three (3) and Four (4) in Block Eleven (11) in Morse Brtohers' Addition tot he Town of Belmond, Iowa, and James W. Riley, J. W. Riley, and Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern Railway Co., of Iowa,

Defendants.

To each and all of the above named defendants:

You and each of you are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office fo the Clerk of the District Court in and for Wright County, Iowa, the petition of the plaintiff, alleging that she is the absolute owner in fee simple of Lots Three (3) and Four (4) in Block Eleven (11) in Morse Brothers' Addition to the Town of Belmond, Iowa. Plaintiff alleges that she is credibly informed and believes that the said defendants and unknown claimants make some claim in and to said real estate adverse to the interest and estate of the plaintiff and she alleges that any and all such claims are illegal, groundless and void. Plainiff prays that the title to said property be quieted in her as against said defendants and unknown claimants and that she have such other relief as may be equitble.

You are further notified that unless you appear and defend thereto on or before noon of the second day of the next term of the aforesaid court, it being the February, 1920 term thereof, which will commence at Clarion, Iowa, on the 2nd day of February, 1920, your default will be entered and judgment and cerce rendered thereon as provided by law.

G. R. Hill and J. M. Berry,
Attorneys ofr the plaintiff

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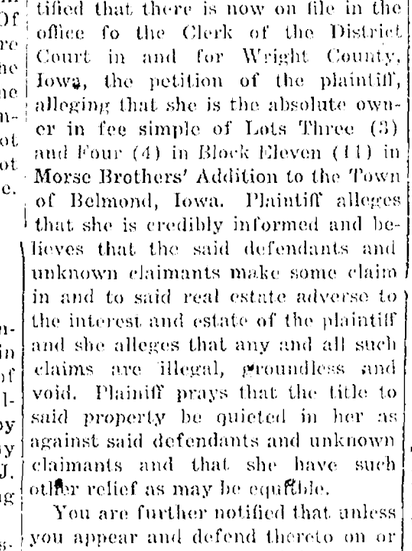
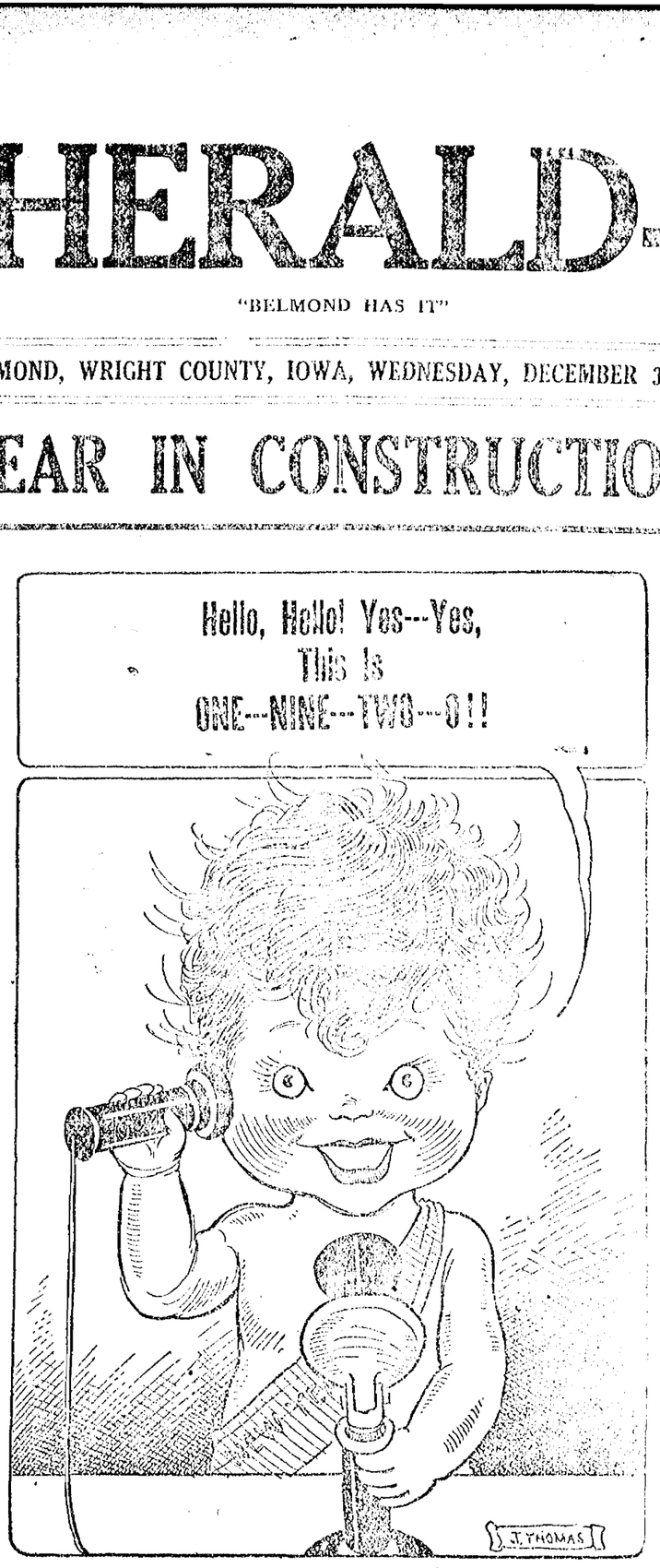


Harry Wolle is spending the holidays with his parents in Belmond. Harry is located now at Moberly, Missouri. He is employed on a large ditching dredge as engineer and has been recently working in Kansas and also in Texas.



FARM BUREAU DRIVE

The recent drive for new members for the Wright County Farm bureau was a success despite severe weather conditions. The canvassers were unable to reach all points in the several townships in the county, but their effors were well rewarded in the territory canvassed, and later on it is proposed to put on another drive and complete the canvass. The campaign juste losed added over 300 new members to the farm bureau, which with the previous membership of about 400, who signed up on the new plan, makes the total 743 as stated below. The grand total, including the old members not yet canvassed on the new plan, is 960. It is hoped to add 300 or 400 more names to the list before the campaign finally closes.

The membership list todate is as follows, with Lincoln well in the lead:

Eagle Grove	30
Lake	51
Dayton	53
Lincon	105
Pleasant	12
Belmond	28
Blaine	63
Iowa	89
Troy	95
Liberty	9
Norway	33
Wall Lake	40
Woolstock	57
Boone	18
Vernon	38
Grant	22
Total	743

County Agent Payne is quite enthusiastic over the future of the Farm Bureau in Wrigh county. With the additional membership the bureau should become one of the strong organizations of the kind in the state. Here is hoping that 1920 will mark the beginning of a most successful career.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the undersigned has this day been appointed and commissioned by the District Court of Wright County, in the State of Iowa, Administrator of the Estate of Anna Savercool, deceased; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file them with the Clerk of said Court, clearly stated and duly sworn to, and within legal time, preparatory to their being allowed or proved; and persons owing said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and avoid costs.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 23rd day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. F. FULTON, Administrator
by G. R. Hill, his Attorney.

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FEBRUARY TERM OF COURT

Judge Fry of Boone will preside at the February term of the district courtw hich convenes at Clarion on Monday, February 2nd. At this term the famous or rather infamous Wright case from Fort Dodge will come on for trial.

Following is a list of the gentlemen who have been selected as grand jurors for the year 1920:

E. C. Paul, Clarion
L. A. McIntyre, Goldfield
John Wallace, Wall Lake
C. A. Crovisier, Woolstock
M. D. Sullivan, Belmond
John T. Wagner, Dayton
S. A. McCreery, Clarion
Jacob Thompson, Norway
George Winter, Eagle Grove
F. H. Peterson, Dows
W. A. Packard, Bobne
John B. Tiara, Belmond

Among those who have been chosen to serve on the petit jury for the February term are the following:

M. R. Pierce, Belmond
W. A. Connors, Belmond
Wm. Luick, Belmond
Wm. Eimbrink, Belmond
David Box, Belmond.
Leo Delaney, Belmond
E. C. Haupt, Belmond
A. B. Landon, Belmond
J. B. Campbell, Belmond
C. P. Latick, Belmond
I. H. Benson, Belmond
M. J. Thoe, Belmond
L. Dorenkamp, Belmond
J. R. Saatoff, Belmond
P. N. Amblie, Belmond

MOVIE WAR AT EAGLE GROVE

Eagle Grove is in the midst of a real "movie" war. Some little time ago the manager of the Princess Theatre inaugurated Sunday shows and it was not long before some of the people petitioned the council for an ordinance prohibiting movies on the Sabbath.

There was quite a fight at the time the ordinance was passed but to many it was thot to be definitely settled. However on the Sunday following the passing of the ordinance the theatre was open as usual.

The manager was placed under arrest and fined $25.00 by the mayor. The manager appealed to the higher court. The next Sunday the theatre was again open and the manage's arrest again followed with a $50.00 fine being assessed this time.

The manager again appealed his case and the fight was on. In the theatre and in last week's paper, Manager Stewart stated that he would fight to the last ditch and in the meantime continue the Sunday shows. The result is watched with interest.—Goldfield Chronicle

MISS NELLIE PIERCE FOR RECORDER

The Herald-Press has learned that Miss Nellie Pierce, daughter of Mrs. Jas. Pierce, is contemplating becoming a candidate for the office of Recorder of Wright County the coming election. Miss Pierce is a graduate of the Belmond schools, is a teacher of ability and experience and has had considerable experience in office work Miss Pierce has qualities which can not fail to make her a first class recorder and should she enter the field as candidate she should and undoubtedly would receive the united support of the voters of a large part of Wright county. It has been many years since Belmond has had a citizen in county office and The Herald-Press hopes that Miss Pierce will be chosen for that honor. At present she is teaching in Marshalltown, Iowa. If Miss Pierce definitely enters her candidacy The Herald-Press will have more to say regarding the merits of her candidacy.

WINTER ON PACIFIC COAST.

Editor Herald-Press,
Dear Sir:—

I wish to renew subscription to your valuable paper. Belmond cannot laugh at Seattle. We had a touch of winter too. Other winters I kept our potatoes and apples on the west porch. They had to be rolled into the dining room one bad night and left there unil worst was over. A very few potatoes were hurt. All danger now over. Please find remittance.

Respectfully,
Cornelia B. Allison,
1621 7th Ave. West, Seattle.

THE GOLDEN RULE IN BUSINESS

"You should buy overalls today from McElhany & Tatem," said the clerk in the Eagle Store to a farmer customer. "You will lose fifty cents if you buy from us."

His store was selling overalls at $1.50, the regular price; the other people had advertised a special sale at one dollar. The customer had asked if they were the same quality.

This really happened—it happens six days a week—in Neosho, Missouri, where the merchants are doing business by the Golden Rule. They interpret it to mean that every article shall be exactly what it is advertised to be; that every business man shall tell the exact truth about his competitors, writes A. B. Macdonald, in the January issue of The Country Gentleman. The plan is a sucess; it pays big. Delegations from other towns come to see if for themselves. William Bailey, a banker of Clarkville, Tennessee, wrote to the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, in New York City, asking what the Neosho Plan really was. This was the reply.

"It is a plan by which the business men of Neosho pooled their efforts and brought the trade of the farmers of their county to their town and held it here."

Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Devereaux, their two sons and Leah Knox of Fort Dodge were Christmas guests at the E. L. Madsen home.

Back of each flat in the northeast corner of the second story will be a large wareroom and a modern freight elevator will connect this room with the store room below and also with the basement. The building will be of concrete and steel construction, entirely fire proof, with concrete floors and roof. It will be a fine addition to the business section of Belmond, and will give this enterprising and growing firm ample room for their big hardware business and with modern facilities for caring for their trade.

THE COTTON JUBILEE

The South is celebrating today the most spectacular cotton jubilee it has held since the Civil War. As the price advanced to twenty, to thirty, to forty cents a pound—fancy long staple sold at $1.05 in Pine Bluff, Arkansas—the era of prosperity dawned. The tragic days of 1914 became but a menory; the time of feasting and lavish spending had come, writes William Harper Dean, in The Country Gentleman of January 10th.

Some say that this prosperity is due to heroic lessons taught by the boll-weevil scourge, others that economic laws brought it about, still others that the work of the American Cotton Association is responsible for it. Whatever the cause, men have been lifted overnight from drudgery and penury to ease and opulence.

Bankers and other leaders view this holiday scene with some misgivings. General prosperity among the race is filling the cities with thousands of idle able-bodied negroes. It is feared that bonanza prices for the fleecy staple may cause many farmers to abandon their diversified-crops-and-livestock programs and go back to the one-crop—cotton—farming of the days when cotton was undisputed king.

BAD WRECK ON GREAT WESTERN

Last Sunday afternoon the Great Western Railroad suffered another bad wreck near Cornelia when a south bound freight piled up in the ditch. Some seventeen cars were derailed and wrecked and it took until Monday to clear the track. The south bound afternoon passenger and the night trains were detoured over the Rock Island from Belmond to Rowen and thence to Clarion over Great Western's Omaha line. No lives were lost in the wreck.

Mrs. P. J. Peterson went to Hampton last Thursday morning to spend Christmas day with her son Chas. Peterson and family.

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Liberty bonds, Red Cross and [illegible] dred activities are well at the h[illegible] of such efforts in the nation. W[illegible] they tried to organize in Iowa [illegible] Nebraska, they were branded [illegible] patriotic and crushed not by [illegible] but by force. So it will be with [illegible] organization that truly represe[illegible] the farmer. If he tries to orga[illegible] in an effective way he will be eit[illegible] absorbed or denied the right to [illegible] ganize.

The farmer represents the biggest and most populous business in the United States today and yet he is unorganized. Every other business is organized and their spokesmen get what they want. The miners told us to grant their demands or freeze. The railroad men stop all commerce if we do not grant their request for more pay. The steel workers kill the fires under the furnaces if they are not paid what they ask, and even the soldiers who fought across the seas are telling us what they should have in the way of bonuses and what kind of jobs we are expected to furnish them. All this as a result of organization. The farmer, 37,000,000 strong, consents to be bound and tied by these pygmy organizations simply because he has refused to see his interests and seeing them refused to take steps to protect them. Samson-like, he allows Delilah to toy with him until he is robbed of his birthright and held in slavery by the interests who have seen the need of organization.

Let the farmer combine and when either men or governments bring about conditions that will reduce some of his main staples more than one-third, he can tell that he is a slave no longer, that he too can strike and it will not be necessary for him to strike to convince the other fellow that his bread and butter is dependent on giving the farmer a square deal. A square deal is all the farmer will ever ask and a square deal he is entitled to."

D. M. STEPHENS.

The foregoing is reprinted from the Eagle Grove Times of last week. The writer does not know Mr. Stephens but the whole tenor of the communication seems to be just like the emanations from the mouths and pens of such leaders in the United States as the convicted Townley and the deported "Reds" or the leaders of the recent steel strike and the miners' leaders who were willing that many innocent folks should perish by freezing so that they might secure more dictatorial power over the life of this nation. The writer fails to see in the above communication any advocacy of the Wright County Farm Bureau which is doing fine work for the farmers. Why? The writer believes in organization for the farmers but hopes that advocates of such entirely selfish and inconsiderate as the above appears to be, will never gain control of any farmers organization. The farmers should have a square deal and should organize to secure it, but the leader who does not see the justice of the rights and privileges of the whole people will not make a safe leader to secure a square deal for the farmer or any other fellow.

THE VERDICT

The writer has for sometime, that is, for many months inclined to great leniency in calling to account the Iowa Falls Electric Co., in regard to their service in Belmond. The writer is still of the opinion that Belmond folks should "make haste slowly" in their judgment of this public utility and the efforts of the company to give service. Reliable [illegible] was [illegible] and [illegible] tes [illegible] gli- [illegible] ent [illegible] best [illegible] any [illegible] of [illegible] en- [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] en- [illegible] ths [illegible] ing [illegible] uel [illegible] up [illegible] of [illegible] the [illegible] rk- [illegible] go- [illegible] he [illegible] ne- [illegible] ny [illegible] ds [illegible] nt [illegible] a [illegible] of

Belmond is almost entirely dependent on the unbroken electric service of sufficient voltage to produce proper water pressure. The writer is informed that had the voltage been equal to the job at the time of the recent fire in Belmond, the fire could have been brought under control in much less time with accordingly less damage. A large number of business places in Belmond are dependent on continuous electric service of sufficient quality to conduct their business successfully and profitably. During the next year the demand and use of electric energy in Belmond will vastly increase. The Iowa Falls Company if they desire to continue to serve Belmond will do well to spare no possible efforts to constantly better their service here for from this time on undoubtedly they are on trial and with the fuel situation relieved and the securing of bettered equipment and the growing competency of their workmen, this service must grow better or the sentiment for a home plant will become paramount and beyond stopping. The verdict will be rendered by Belmond people within the next few months. What it will be depends on the Iowa Falls Electric Co.

STILL THERE IS ALWAYS THE CLIMATE

The San Francisco Chronicle printed following description of the Californians activities. Of course the Californian is too busy raising prices too the tourist to bother with any product not sent by nature such as climate and—but read the Chronicle story.

The Californian gets up at the alarm of a Conneticut clock; buttoms; his Chicago suspenders to Detroit overalls; washes his face with Cincinnati soap in a Pennsylvania basin; wipes on a Rhode Island towel; sits up to a Grand Rapids table; eats Kansas City meat and Minneapolis flour with Idaho potatoes cooked with Wyoming coal; puts a New York bridle on a Colorado bronco fed with Iowa corn; plows five acres of land (covered with Ohio mortgages) with a Chattanooga plow. When bedtime comes he reads a chapter from the Bible printed in Boston; says a prayer written in Jerusalem; crawls under a blanket made in New Jersey, only to be kept awake by fleas—the only home product of his own state.

No race has a monopoly of either virtues or vices. Every race has immense potentialities of good and evil. Which of these will flower and bear fruit depends upon cultivation. We sorely need to cultivate one another's virtues.

The exploration by airplane of Labrador by a party of Boston timber prospectors, and the discovery of enormous forests, would seem to prove the commercial uses of the flying machine pretty conclusively.

It is reported that the German government charges $5,000 for a passport enabling one to move out of the country and there is a pretty general opinion that it is worth the money.

The English are very much worried over the slang in the subtitles of American moving pictures. They can't understand why a bloke should be called a guy.

From the way claims for damages by foreigners are piling up against the Mexican government it looks as if Mexico will have proportionately as heavy a bill to pay for her revolutions as Germany has to pay for her war.

We are accustomed, perhaps, to regard instinct as one of the lower gifts, yet from it spring some of the most beautiful things in life. A "veteran"—although he was only thirty years old—just back from France, was pacing a piazza on the third floor of his house, with a little child in his arms. The child made a sudden motion and, to keep his hold upon it, the man leaned forward, lost his balance and pitched headlong over the railing to a concrete sidewalk 50 feet below. He was dead when they found him, but as he fell he held so fondled the child in his arms that it was not even bruised. It was not his own child, but his sister's; but doubtless his arms would have closed just as firmly round the child of his worst enemy. What was it that locked them? Some fine strain of the primeval ape.

The German leaders and generals are trying to excuse themselves and throw the blame on others for the failure of the world war. Each says it wasn't his fault—the excuse of the moral coward who is not man enough to take the consequences of his own act, says Baltimore American. The Kaiser was really more honest than any of them, for he lost no time in excuse or explanation, but simply confessed responsibility by running away.

Germany's new constitution banishes the hymn of hate by providing that henceforth German schools shall educate their pupils in the spirit of "reconciliation with the peoples of the world." Here is a tendency that all other nations should frankly encourage.

Sometimes it looks as if it might be better for everybody who is concerned for the fate of humanity just to quit worrying for a while and go to work.

According to Field Marshal Haig there may be some argument as to who won the war, but there's none as to who lost it.

When a man or woman gets to the point of loving self only, it is a case of love wasted on nothing.

Nome, up in Alaska, is cut off from the world by ice. How can they learn the score?

Among others who don't seem to realize that the war is over are the food profiteers.

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You wanted several things this Christmas which you could not afford, didn't you?

Start a Savings Account now and have money on hand for next Christmas.

Fifty-two weeks—twelve months—in which to earn and save and have here at interest. We pay 4 per cent interest on SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, compounded.

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We wish you a
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

The First National Bank

The Des Moines Register

World War period [illegible]
Gives LATEST News FIRST

It was during the war that thousands upon thousands of Iowa people learned that The Des Moines Register was usually the FIRST paper to tell them about the big battles and important events of the war.

Thousands of new subscribers took The Register so they could get the war news QUICKLY—the SAME MORNING PRINTED.

And now, these same thousands of Iowa people continue to read The Register. [illegible] can give war news FIRST [illegible] news of peace times SOO[illegible]

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The Farming Business

NEWS OF INTEREST AND ITEMS WHICH MAY BE OF BENEFIT . . . TO THE FARMER . . .

CHICKEN PARASITE DANGER

Insects are enemies of flock profits. Heavy infestations of hens by parasites interfere with egg yield on the general condition of the flock, inasmuch as they are a source of annoyance and discontent. During the winter season when, in many sections, the fowls are maintained indoors much of the time, it is particularly essential that the hens be kept free from mites, lice and other obnoxious vermin which multiply in the poultry dwelling.

Knowing that poultry mites hide away in cracks and crevices during the day time, the vital control which should be immediately enforced is thorough cleaning of the interior of the houses, roosts and nests, and there after a spray thoroughly with kerosene, crude oil, or some heavy coal-tar preparation. It is highly imperative that the spray should penetrate to all the cracks, crevices, crannies, and corners where the mites may be hiding. The heavy coal- tar preparations are most effective and most enduring in control work of this sort. They can be purchased at most drug stores with full directions for mixing and use.

There are more than forty distinct species of lice which are a source of continuous annoyance to adult poultry, as well as to the young chickens, according to poultry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. The fact that the army of invaders is so numerous and variegated is of special moment and necessitates persisent and continuous control practices. At present, when the prices of all feeds are abnormally high, it is particularly essential that the poultryman realizes the maximum return from his expenditures for feedstuffs. To such an end it is needful that all such unwelcome guests as lice, mites, and other ravaging marauders be barred from the flock.

There should be a place in the yard or house where the hens can dust themselves in the dry dirt. If it is necessary to provide an artificial medium for this work, a box about two feet square, filled with ordinary road dust or fine dirt, should be made constantly accessible to the matrons and misses of the flock. The hens must be kept as free as possible from infection by insects enemeies, and if the birds themselves can not gain this end by individual dusting the owner institute artificial control measures.

To rid the hens of lice each one should be treated by placing small pinches of sodium fluorid, a material which can be obtained as most large drug stores, among the feathers next to the skin—one pinch on the head, one on the neck, two on the back, one on the breast, one below the vent, one at the base of the tail, one on either side, and one scattered on the underside of each wing when spread. Another method is to use a small quanity of blue ointment, a piece about as large as a pea, on the skin 1 inch below the vent. If mercudial ointment is used instead of blue ointment it should be diluted with an equal quantity of vaseline. Any of these methods will be found very effective in ridding the hens of lice, and should be employed whenever the lice become troublesome. Two or three applications a year usually proves sufficient.

Mites are more troublesome and more harmful than lice. They do not live upon the birds like the lice but during the day hide in the cracks and crevices of the roosts and walls of the house, and at night they emerge and wander around upon the fowls. They such the hen's blood, and if allowed to become plentiful—as they certainly will if not destroyed—will seriousy affect her heath and consequently her ability to lay eggs. They may be eradicated by a few thorough applications of kerosene, or some of the coal-tar products which are sold for this purpose, or crude petroleum to the interior of the poultry house. Crude petroleum will spray better if thinned with one part of kerosene to four parts of the crude oil. Both the crude petroleum and coal-tar products often contain foreign particles, and should be strained before being sprayed. The poultryman must be sure that the spray reaches all the cracks and crevices. He should give special attention to the roosts, dropping boards, and nests, and the treatment should be repeated two or three times at intervals of a week or ten days.

SOY BEAN SEEDS PAY PROFIT

"With soy beans selling at the present time at $7.50 per bushel and with prospects of from $10 to $12 per bushel before planting is over in the spring, the yields of seed which have been secured in the past year are exceedingly profitable," says H. D. Hughes of the Iowa Agricultural Experiment station.

"The highest yield has been slightly better than 34 bushels per acre, while a number of varieties have yielded better than 25 bushels. The demand for seed of the better varieties is greater than the supply, due to the fact that nearly all of the men in he corn belt who are growing soy beans are using them for planting with corn to be hogged down or put into silo."

Mr. Hughes believes that a considerable number of farmers would find it exceedingly profitable to grow soy beans for seed. It is stated that the safest method of handling this crop is to plant it in rows and cultivate like corn, altho yields of over 30 bushels per acre have been secured on clean ground by drilling in about a bushel per acre with a wheat drill. This method of handling the crop is safe only on clean ground.

The Manchu, Black Eyebrow and Ito San are some of the most promising varieties for seed production.

Capital must serve the people. Labor must serve the people. Neither ought to be master of the other. If necessary, the people should assert their mastery over them both to a greater degree than old ideas seemed to demand. If capital or labor cannot agree, there is a way to make them agree, by the enforcement of the will of the people, says Washington Post. The people can provide that labor shall share in the profits of all enterprises and also that labor shall be held responsible for the steady operation of all enterprises affecting the public health, comfort or necessity.

CLOSING-OUT SALE

As we have rented the farm we will have a Closing-Out Sale of all our stock and machinery on the farm 2 miles north of Goodell and 4 miles south of Klemme, on

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7th, 1920

186 Head of Live Stock 186

20 Head of Horses

1 black registered Percheron stallion, weight 2100; 1 bay mare 4 years old in foal weight 1600; 1 black mare 6 years old in foal weight 1600; 1 black mare 9 years old in foal weight 1600; 1 black mare smooth mouth weight 1600; 1 gray mare 3 years old weight 1500; 1 sorrell mare 3 years old weight 1450; span black geldings 2 years old been drove weight 2600; 1 black mare 2 years old been drove weight 1100; span sorrel mares 1 and 2 years old, well matched weight 2200; span black geldings 1 year old; brown gelding 1 year old; 4 spring colts, 3 mares and 1 horse.

135 HEAD OF CATTLE

50 head of cows and heifers; 19 head of yearling heifers; 10 2-year old steers; 15 yearling steers; 40 spring and summer calves; 8 good grade Hereford bull calves from 4 to 9 months old; 1 registered Hereford bull 2 years old.

31 HEAD OF DUROC JERSEY SUMMER SHOATS

MACHINERY, ETC.

1 Titan 10-20 tractor, good as new; 1 3-bottom LaCross tractor plow; 1 Deering No. 3 corn picker, good as new; 1 Deering 8-foot grain binder; 1 John Deere corn binder; 1 McCormick corn binder; 2 gang plows; 2 disks; 2 LaCross 2-row cultivators each with 3 and 4 horse hitch; 2 Sattley single row cultivators; 1 20 foot flexible, steel harrow; 1 24-foot Boss harrow; 1 McCormick mower; 1 Champion hay rake; 1 36-foot John Deere elevator with speed jack and lifter; 2 hay bucks; 1 Hayes planter with 160 rods wire; 1 Hoosier drill planter; 1 Silent endgate seeder; 1 Tiger 11-foot seeder; 1 I. H. C. crusher and grinder with 8-inch burr; 1 4 H. P. I. H. C. engine; 1 1¾ H. P. Ever Ready engine; 110-gallon gas tank; 1000-pound De Laval cream separator; 1 One Minute power washing machine.. Some of this machinery is new and all in good shape.. 2 American spreaders; 2 truck wagons with hay racks; 3 wagons with boxes; 1 sleigh with 6-foot runner; 2 cutters; 1 surrey; 1 single buggy; 1 set 1½-inch breeching harness; 3 sets 1½ inch harness; 1 set 1½-inch low hame harness; 2 single harnesses;A lot of good horse collars; 1 16-foot self hog feeder, new; 4 feed bunks; 1 keroene tank heater; 1 pump jack; some hay; some good clean seed oats, Early Cerson; 1 range; 1 large hard coal heater and some hard coal; 1 carpet sweeper and other articles too numerous to mention.

Sale will commence at 10 o'clock sharp. Hot lunch will be served at 11 o'clock. This is a large sale and will start promptly at 10 o'clock so be there.

This is an exceptionally good offering in both horses and cattle as well as farm implements. DON'T MISS IT.

FREE HOT LUNCH AT 11 O'CLOCK

TERMS OF SALE—All sums of $10 or under, cash. Over that amount 1 year's time will be given on approved notes bearing 8 per cent interest. All property must be settled for on the day of the sale.

Andrew Anderson & Son, Props.

YOUNG & HANSON, Auctioneer

OWEN F. CONWELL, Clerk

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

The George Slater family enjoyed a Christmas reunion with the H. C. Thompson family last week. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson of Fort Dodge, Mr. and Mrs. Syconer and baby of Storm Lake, Iowa, and Miss Maud Thompson of San Marcos, Texas, were guests at the Elder home west of town.

Miss Agnes Dillion went to Hampton, Christmas day to visit with relatives.

R. [illegible] of Rockford, Illinois, is in Belmond on business in Belmond Monday. Bob expects to move to North Dakota the 1st of February.

Mr. and Mrs. Ely and daughter Gertrude spent Christmas with Dr. Misman and family at Klemme, Ia.

The John Allison family are now living in their very fine new home on Spruce street.

Miss Sadie Eckersley who is teaching at Wellington, Illinois, spent a part of the Christmas vacation with her brother here. She also visited with a sister Mrs. Thatcher of Fort Dodge. She will return to her school work the last of this week.

R. C. Rhode Island Red roosters for sale. Phone 299. R. E. Webb. 34

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Groh were made very joyful over the Christmas time by having with them here all their children, John and wife of St. Paul, Louis and daughter of Northwood, Iowa, Elizabeth (Groh) McCauley and son of Des Moines, Iowa, and Edmund of the Minnesota University, Minneapolis.

Howard Wolle who is attending school in Chicago, came home last week to spend the Christmas vacation.

Don't miss seeing Elsie Janis, Friday evening at the Lyric theatre. It is a real treat and you owe it to Elsie to become one of her admirers. She helped our boys "over there" so come along and be a Janis rooter.

W. E. Bullard was a business visitor at Clarion on Monday of this week.

Mr. Freutel the lecturer who was to lecture in the School Auditorium January 3rd, has been compelled to postpone this lecture to January 17th.

Misses Fern Trombell and Nettie Benson, who are teaching near Kanawha, Iowa, spent Christmas and the latter part of last week with Belmond relatives.

The House of Kuppenheimer

OUR best wishes to all our friends and patrons for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Carlston & Skovlin

Announcement

To the People of Belmond and Vicinity

The New Idea Plumbing Shop

W. H. Adams, Prop. Frank Trowbridge, Plumber

takes this opportunity to advise that arrangements have been completed for the opening of another first-class plumbing establishment in Belmond and that we propose to carry a high class stock of equipment and material for this work.

We are now prepared to figure on any of this work which you may offer and will be pleased to consult with anyone planning new work, remodeling or needing repairs.

We are expecting to carry our stock in the Martin Building in the rear of the Parsons grocery store and, while we have not as yet received any of our stock, we have material on the way for a number of jobs already secured and are in good position to secure all material needed.

Our policy will be one of service and we wish to assure you that no job can come too large to tax our ability or too small to warrant and secure our very best service.

Our Mr. Frank Trowbridge is a thoroughy capable and trained plumber, well posted and familiar with the newest ideas in Sanitary Hygienic plumbing and we will offer you nothing but the best, both in material and service.

A telephone call to 255 or 260 will insure an appointment and our best ecorts to please and serve you.

THE NEW IDEA PLUMBING SHOP

WIDE RANGE IN LATEST STYLES

Never Before in History of Tailored Suit Has There Been Such Variety.

COLLARS, CUFFS, HEMS OF FUR

Coat of Long or Medium Length Much More in Evidence Than Short Ones---Pockets Are Important.

For the woman who is not inexorably committed to the one-piece frock her suit is a matter of earnest consideration, observes a prominent fashion writer. Not so much as to what it shall be made of, for here there is scant choice, but as to how it shall be built to fit the peculiar requirements of her figure.

Never before in the history of the tailored suit has there been so wide a range of design as can be found in this season's models. And unless a woman has unerringly bad taste, or, as sometimes happens, cherishes an inner vision of herself as tall and willowy when unkind nature has designed her short and wide, there is no excuse for her selecting an unsuitable model.

Suits are very much in the foreground of the picture at present and show a wealth of interesting detail as to finish, as well as a wide latitude in type and cut.

Thoroughly well dressed women at the horse show will undoubtedly be exponents of the various ways a suit may take---the plain and strictly tailored suit with a fur neckpiece, for morning wear, and the dressier fur trimmed type for afternoon. It is in the latter, of course, that most of the variety in design is to be found, though the jacket, tailored on mannish lines, has, too, its picturesque differences of outline.

Daring and Picturesque.

There is a distinct leaning toward the daring and picturesque in the suit coats displayed this season. Especially new and attractive are the coats on Louis XV. lines, rather fitted, with a nipped-in waist and a good deal of spring at the hips, often accentuated by means of large pocket flaps, godets or a circular cut to the coat skirts.

This is the most radical departure from the lines to which we have become accustomed and has its extremely short version in which the coat skirt stands out in a series of hard and ungraceful godets, its medium length version in which the coat is very true to type, and its long version, which covers all but two or three inches of the skirt.

A coat of this last character was shown among the imported models and is worthy of note for the reason that very long coats are said to be approaching. In this instance the coat of brown velours de laine is cut so that it is quite smooth at the back and in the cross over front, but has much fullness of the coat skirt at the sides.

These full sides are held in place at the waist by means of embroidery

Attractive Duvetyn Fur Trimmed Suit Regarded as a Striking Model.

and the coat is collared, cuffed and hemmed with fur.

The coat of long or medium length is much more in evidence than is the short one, and perhaps the coat either partially or wholly ungirdled is more to be desired than the girdled coat.

Besides the coat on Louis XV. lines there are other ways contrived of enlarging the outline of the hips.

Coats Straight and Slim.

In striking contrast to the suits on these lines are coats cut as straight

COLLEGE GETS WILD BOAR

A wild boar from Africa has been received by the experiment station of Iowa State College for use in type test and other breeding work. Kansas State Agricultural College received the boar from its original home and used him in a number of tests, and sent the boar toAmes as a gift.

All of our present day breeds have been developed from the [illegible] the species to which this wild boar belongs, and the station hopes to do some interesting fundamental work with the animal. He has large tusks and his hair, gray in color, is very long. His ears are black and stand upright. Altho he weights only 150 pounds, he does not lack in fierce [illegible].

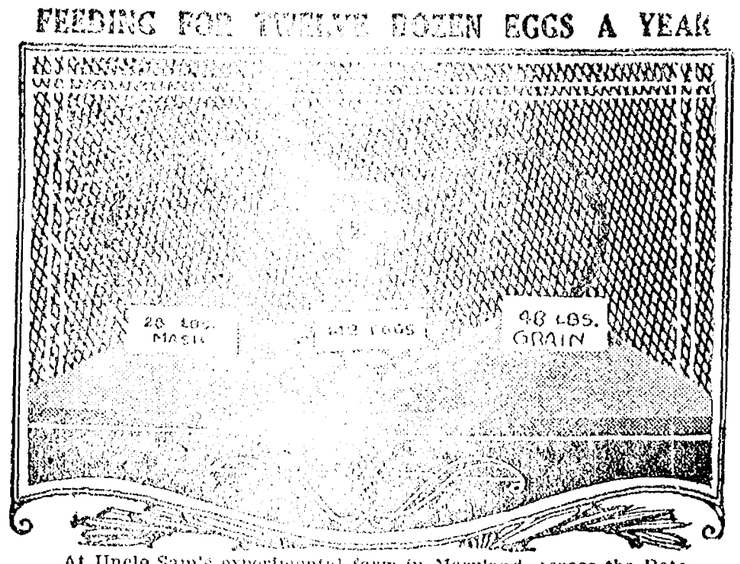
SHORTHORNS AT AUCTION

At my closing out sale on the Chris Pawson farm about four miles north of Clarion, on Tuesday, January 6th, I will offer for sale in addition to other stock, twenty-four head of Shorthorn cattle, headed by a pure bred Scotch bull, also ten cows, 5 with calf at side, two heifers coming 2 years old, six calves from 6 to 12 months old (four bulls and 2 heifers).

Phone 4-15 Cornelius Thompson

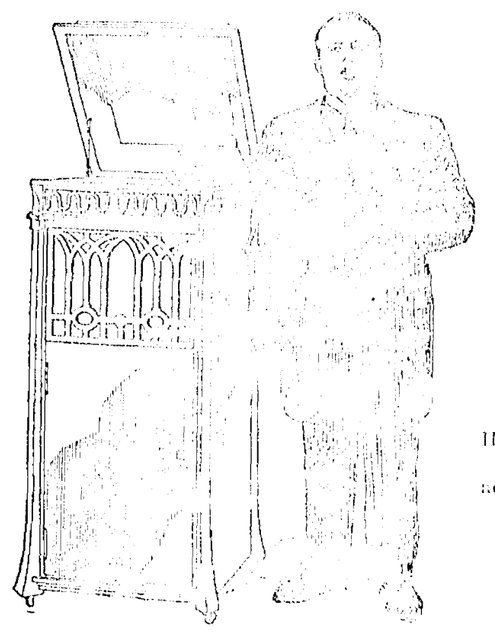
The Herald-Press Wishes All A Happy New Year

FEEDING FOR TWELVE DOZEN EGGS A YEAR



At Uncle Sam's experimental farm in Maryland, across the Potomac from Washington, D. C., the Department of Agriculture develops many helpful, progressive and profitable new methods for the producers of the nation. This photo shows the consumption and production in one year from one of the hens in a feeding test there.

---and neither could you have told the difference!



Hardy Williamson Drawn from actual photograph

Why the audience November 12th at High School Auditorium was so completely mystified. Hardy Williamson was inside the phonograph in all excepting physical presence.

At first reading, the story of the New Edison's performance Wednesday night, Nov. 12, at the High School Auditorium seems fraught with mystery.

But the explanation is simple enough.

First, get a picture of what happened. Mr. Williamson sang The Holy City. He stopped after the first few lines, but his voice flowed on without a break. No one even noticed he had stopped—until some eyes, keener than the rest, saw his lips were still. It was only then that realization dawned. The audience found it had been listening to the New Edison.*

To every ear, the two voices, living and RE-CREATED, had been without a shade of difference.

That was what so mystified the audience. They had expected the RE-CREATED art to betray its phonographic origin. It was a step too advanced for their comprehension that this instrument should be all that Hardy Williamson himself is, excepting his physical presence.

The NEW EDISON

"The Phonograph With a Soul"

This extraordinary proof is the only means through which people learn to appreciate the true powers the New Edison. If you are interested in music, it is indeed unfortunate that you were not present.

Yet, you know this is a test which no other phonograph dares to attempt. It is proof that no one can evade or deny. The New Edison* is the only phonograph which RE-CREATES music and the soul of music.

Come in and hear it for yourself.

*The instrument used in Wednesday's Tone Test is the regular model which sells for $295 (In Canada $431). It is an exact duplicate of the Laboratory Model which Mr. Edison perfected after spending Three Million Dollars in experiments.

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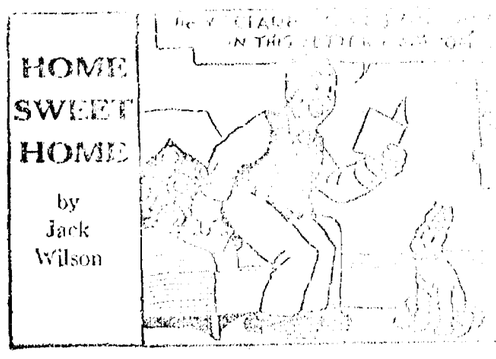
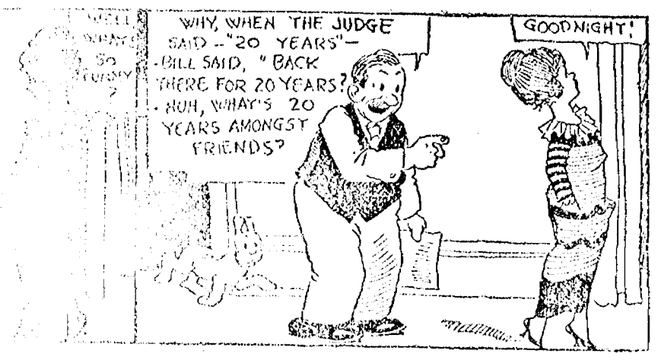




Daily Thought.

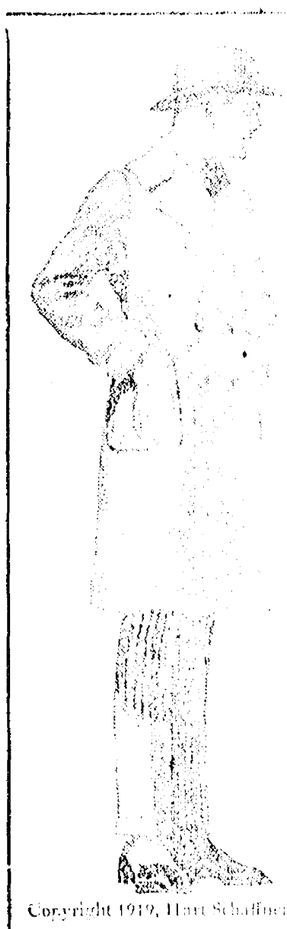
Cookery is become an art, a noble science; cooks are beefloners.—Burton.

The Difference.

[illegible] millionaire, he only wore a suit [illegible] of us are like [illegible] much long-

You Never Can Judge.

There once was a man named O'Leary who remarked, "Though a face may be cheery, I find with alarm that despite its great charm, it may say things that make me quite weary."



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THIS is the overcoat center of this town; you'll find more good ones; more stylish ones, here than anywhere else.

Hart Schaffner & Marx

make them; ulsters, great-coats; double-breasted; form-fitting coats, Raglans, Chesterfields.

We'll be glad to show you

C. C. McGuire

The home of Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes

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[illegible] gallon.

M. O. CRA[illegible]

Where Is Your Money?

[illegible] sock under the mattress? Is it buried [illegible] can under the butternut tree? Or is [illegible] in our bank, drawing interest and es[illegible] for you? Wise farmers use our bank—[illegible] who read wisely and well, and [illegible] how to follow the good advice they find in

THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN

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ANNOUNCEMENT

HELP THE KIDDIES

FOLLOWING our established custom this bank will give all the babies born during the year an opportunity to start life with a bank account. Have the baby card bring $1.00 to the Belmond Savings Bank. Open a Savings [illegible] Baby's name and this bank will add another dollar to the account. Offer is limited to babies born in Belmond and vicinity during 1920. Call and let us explain the plan.

3½ Per Cent Interest on Time Deposits of 12 Months

BELMOND SAVINGS BANK

GOSSIP OF OUR CORRESPONDENTS THAT MAY OR MAY NOT INTEREST YOU

COODELL

Miss Ina Ahrenkiel and sister Louisa are being entertained this week at the Hughes and Reynolds home.

Leo Robbins was entertained for Christmas at the Middlebush home in Gowrie.

Mrs. Fern Christensen from Des Moines, is here visiting at the Oland Engelbretson home.

Jack Zielie has purchased the ice house formerly owned by Walt Wilson and will have it moved onto his property. Jack is going to fill it up with ice this winter and sell it next summer.

Mrs. Carl Engeseth and daughters, Adlaide and Pearl went to Rake, Iowa, Friday, to visit her parents.

Miss Mardel Avery entertained a company of young friends at her home here Friday night.

Miss Mable Nelson from Belmond, was here Friday in the interests of the Belmond Telephone Company.

Rev. Earle Woolley from Belmond was here holding church services on Wednesday and Thursday.

J. C. Reed was at Klemme on business Wednesday.

Misses Lillie Linn who teaches at Livermore, and Mary Linn from Dakota, are visiting home folks through the holiday season.

Several relatives and friends went to Belmond Sunday to attend the funeral of Oliver Busick.

E. P. Hubbard took the north bound train for Garner Saturday.

Five carloads of stock were shipped out of here Saturday night for Chicago. Gus Okreug, Walt Mumm and Lee Robbins went to Chicago on the horses.

Mrs. Fern Bonney and children from Estherville, were here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Fine.

Gus Wenzel from Belmond was a visitor here Thursday and Friday. Gus finds our city very attractive lately.

Arthur Savogue of the Vance Music Store at Mason City, was home for the holidays.

Mint Clines' driving horse decided that it didn't like city life and when Mint hitched up Sunday and went into the house to get his coat, horse and cutter had started for the farm. However they were stopped up by John Dominey's.

L. W. Wesenberg and wife went to Klemme Friday where they delivered a lot of canned goods to the Wellemeyer department store.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buss spent Christmas with Klemme relatives.

On New Year's Day there will be a community dinner and entertainment in the parlors of the U. B. church. Everyone is invited and a good time is anticipated.

Christmas cards were received by friends here from Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wolf from Ackley and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bremmer from Bedford.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hughes, Miss Dulcie, and Ethel and Eddie arrived here Thursday from Clarion to be present at a family reunion at the home of Mrs. Hughes' mother, Mrs. C. C. Christensen.

Carl Engeseth and Dennis Coffey gave a free Christmas dance to show their appreciation of the way people helped to save their business places during the fires. A nice bunch of young folks from Belmond, were in attendance. Carl and Dennis are to be congratulated on their ability a dance managers.

Mrs. A. D. Waite is on the sick list and Mrs. T. O. Letch was taken very sick Friday night.

Editor Finis Letch was up from Belmond Christmas ady. Finis missed the train but got here anyway.

Miss Mary Sullivan is enjoying a visit from her brother Mervin, who has recently returned from active service in France.

A large audience attended the Christmas programme in the U. B. church. Rev. and Mrs. Miller are to be congratulated on the success of the evening. The chilren were treated a box of candy, pop corn balls and apples while the adults were served with sandwiches and coffee in the dining room in the basement of the church. Everyone went home feeling that it was well worth their time to attend this Christmas festivity.

Goodell people are glad to welcome the L. G. Avery family into their residence which they recently purchased.

ROWAN

George Bolton was a Clarion visitor Thursday.

Dorothy and Mary Steffens were Dows shoppers Monday.

Mrs. Ed Fackrell of Clarion visited Ora Rowan over a few days last week.

Miss Eva Walker of Cedar Falls is visiting relatives here this week.

Mrs. Frank Hughes is visiting relatives at Iowa Falls.

Miss Ethel Christensen is attending Buena Vista College at Storm Lake during the holidays at home.

Mrs. Mary Williams who has been ill at Mason City came home Saturday for a short visit.

J. L. Bailey and family of Hitchcock, So. Dakota, are guests at the C. H. Fowler home.

E. P. Hubbard and wife have gone to Des Moines to spend a few weeks and for a visit with their son, Kenneth.

J. L. Sinclair and wife spent a few days with relatives in Des Moines last week.

Mrs. Frank Lewellen has turned to St. Paul to resume her work.

D. A. Smith and N. C. Olsen were in Clarion Sunday with truck.

Miss Hazel Fowler entertained her Sunday School class at her home Monday evening. A very enjoyable time is reported.

The Tom Brown family ate Christmas dinner with relatives in Goodell.

The M. E. people expect a minister to be with them to the close of the week at this place.

Each Thursday both sessions of the Children's Court are held. A good crowd was in attendance at both sessions and enjoyed the program very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Dawson are the proud parents of a fine son born Dec. 21st 1919.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McCallum are glad over the arrival of a son born Dec. 24, 1919.

Glenn Beem of Bristow, is spending a few days at the home of his sister, Mrs. Hazel Johnson.

The Clarence Johnson family ate Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. Johnson's parents, Dan Beem & Son.

ALEXANDER

Mrs. Otto Kiesfeh and Blanche and Elmer spent a few days last week with relatives in Hampton.

Mrs. Youmglin of Latimer, spent over Christmas with her friend, Mrs. Chas. Beemen.

Mrs. Mayme Allen of Iowa Falls visited with her parents, Mr. and Mr. Frank Bohlen here several days last week.

Mrs. Fred Fackrell visited with relatives at Latimer on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Winwood returned home Friday after a visit with relatives at Iowa Falls.

Otto Swanson of Ackley, was a guest of his friend Alex Christensen over Sunday last week.

Mary Nerrie Bell was a visitor at Latimer Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Fickle and daughter Leona of Hampton, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Niels Larsen.

Chris Friedlander, Ed Fackrell, Ralph and Dick Smith were among the callers at the county seat last Friday.

Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son Fredrick, visited with relatives at Hampton Last Week Friday.

Mrs. Jens Rasch and two daughters are visiting with relatives at LaCrosse this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and children Edna, Lena and Orville, were Hampton callers last Friday.

Mrs. Bert Barker and daughter Bonnie, spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Yaw at Hampton.

Miss Charity Hanson of Hampton spent the Christmas holidays with friends and relatives at Alexander.

Rev. Sherman Arends, who has been visiting his parents here, left last Saturday for Black Dock, Minnesota, where he conducted gospel services Sunday.

Hilko Pals was having dental work done at Belmond Friday.

Miss Grace Tinkey visited with her sister near Belmond a few days last week.

Santa Starts Off

By MARY GRAHAM BONNER

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NANCY CLAUS' dog, Boy of the North, was barking madly," said Daddy. "Something was great excitement in the North.

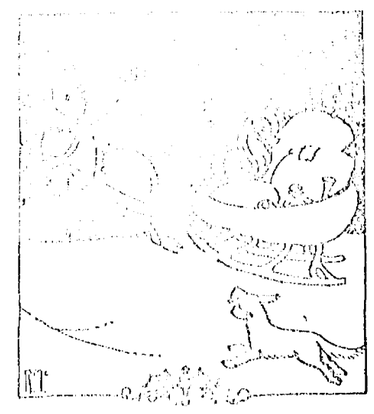
"The reindeer were, as perhaps you may be aware, to cross, that Santa Claus was about to start his trip.

"I have more things to do this year than ever before, it seems to me," said Santa Claus.

"Boy of the North wagged his tail and gave forty little short barks which was his way of laughing. 'You say that every year,' he was trying to tell Santa Claus, as he put his cold nose in Santa's hand and rubbed up beside him.

"The reindeer were waiting. The bells on their necks were jingling and the sleigh was filled with packs and packs of toys.

"'Now, let me see,' said Santa Claus. 'There are many shops where packs are for me. The children have written to me about the things they have seen and of what they want.



"Good-Bye," Shouted Santa.

That is why I like the stores to have so many of my toys. The children get a good idea of what they want.

"'Then they write me letters, the precious dears! They write of what they want and how much they care for me and how much they love their sisters and brothers and mothers and daddies and playmates and dogs and other pets.

"'But I mustn't stop to think of all these letters for I must get started, for I've a long way to go.'

"He knew he had to start soon for the reindeer could hardly wait any longer, and were trying to hurry him.

"'I won't be late,' said Santa Claus. 'I have never been late yet—and I've been doing this trip—this trip to the lands where there are children—for a good many years.'

"And the reindeer made queer sounds and jingled their bells again for they knew Santa Claus was right, but still they were in a great, great hurry!

"They were thinking of the roofs they would dash across. Oh, how anxious they were to start!

"And Boy of the North was anxious too for them to start, for although he didn't go with them, he longed to see them come back and hear about the trip.

"'Yes,' continued Santa Claus, 'I must get the packs from the different shops. I know just what all the children want.

"'Then I must keep a good many engagements. I've made promises to appear at some big Christmas trees, either I never let the children see me when I'm arriving with my pack. Oh no, that's my fun—to keep all that a great, great secret.

"'And they love secrets the little dears! Now let me see, have I the nuts and raisins, the bright new pennies for some of the stockings and the big oranges, too! Yes, we're really and truly ready at last.'

"When Santa Claus said 'We're ready,' the reindeer pranced, Boy of North barked and Santa Claus sprang into the sleigh.

"Off went the reindeer with Santa Claus and the toys, games and countless other things for Christmas morning.

"'Good-bye, Boy of the North,' shouted Santa Claus. 'Good-bye, dear old North home, good-bye everyone and everything.

"'I'm off on my big trip of the year.'

"And as he shouted this the reindeer were almost out of sight and the last that could be seen of Santa Claus was as he waved his red cap with the red tassel.

"'Now,' said Boy of the North, 'I will have everything ready for him when he gets back.'

"So the dog got Santa Claus' slippers and his heavy, warm winter wrapper which his master wore when he wasn't working. He put them near the fire, but not too near. For he knew Santa Claus would be gone quite a long time and when night had passed and the next day had come, even though it was not bright, he would then move them very near the fire and have them ready.

"And Boy of the North fell asleep and dreamed and his dreams were happy as his life always was, for you can imagine how happy the dog of Santa Claus must be."

Face Task With Confidence.

Take it for granted that whatever work is given you to do, you can do. Nothing undermines efficiency like the feeling of apprehension regarding your task. Whether you are a business worker, or a student, or find your occupation about the house, train yourself to think of it always with cheerfulness and confidence.—Girl's Companion.

It has been almost cool enough several times this summer to permit the girls to lay aside their furs.

It is not difficult for most people to be square, but it's a job for almost any of us to be sensible.

It is a mistake, however, to say that R34 is the first gas bag to cross the ocean.

Merry Xmas
and a
Prosperous
1920

Real Estate & Insurance

Very truly,

Wm. H. Wolle

Get a 1920 Calendar

NEW CLASSES JANUARY 5th

New classes will be formed in all departments Monday, January 5th to accomodate those students who could not enroll for the Mid-Winter Term December 29th.

Courses are offered in all branches of commercial work such as,

BOOKKEEPING

including ADVANCED ACCOUNTANCY, INCOME TAX, COMMERCIAL LAW.

Special courses in BANK BOOKKEEPING, BURROUGHS MACHINE BOOKKEEPING, SALESMANSHIP, SHORTHAND, TYPEWRITING.

SECRETARIAL COURSES FOR STENOGRAPHERS

THE FARMERS SHORT COURSE CAN BE COMPLETED MARCH 1st.
A special course for young men who can only spare a few weeks time, and will be worth thousands of dollars to the farmers.

HAMILTON UNIVERSITY OF COMMERCE
Mason City, Iowa

The Ease of the Chalmers Engine Has a Story

Quality First

WHEN you sit behind the wheel of a present day Chalmers you will long remember the rare ease of its engine.

It responds to the slightest call without effort. At high speed you are conscious of no great activity under the bonnet. But you roll along with a certain comfort of mind that is comparable only when you lag along at slow speed and note no "breaking," no "missing," no jerky action—but a quickness, a silence that is smooth and expressive of high efficiency.

There's a story back of this. Most troubles in a car come from vibration. In a Chalmers there is so little vibration as to be negligible.

Its crank shaft and reciprocating parts are balanced to a fraction of an ounce, both static and in motion.

More than this, Hot Spot vaporizes the raw gasoline into a "fog," and Ram's-horn supplies each cylinder with an even "charge."

This provides double insurance against vibration, and generates an ease of action not often found in a motor car.

Once you experience this you, too, will say Chalmers is one of the few great cars of the world.

C. J. JOHNSON GARAGE

BELMOND, IOWA PHONE NO. 20

The Devil's Own

(Continued from last issue)

Her eyes were staring down at Kirby's *body*.

"Look, he is [illegible]" she sobbed excitedly. "[illegible] one of his hands [illegible] why, he is [illegible] breath."

"All the more reason why we should decide at once. It does [illegible] consciousness and [illegible] will be all the easier."

"Yes, he would! he [illegible]" her lips parted, her eyes [illegible] gust and horror at [illegible] them to my face. "[illegible] get that I [illegible] slave; [illegible] there, can do anything [illegible] me—the law [illegible]." Her [illegible] nant color mounted [illegible] can sell me, or [illegible] I am his chattel. [illegible] it! Why, I am [illegible] ter educated, [illegible] care, brought me [illegible] rich and happy and [illegible] him; he owns me, [illegible]" She paused suddenly, [illegible] thought, a fearful [illegible] so, is it the law that [illegible] take possession of [illegible] after Eloise has [illegible] and the papers served upon her?"

"Yes, I believe [illegible]," I said, "she is the legal [illegible] of [illegible] caire; the estate is [illegible] tance, as I am told there [illegible] wife. All this property, including the slaves, would legally remain in her possession until proper steps had been taken by others. Serving of the papers would be necessary. There is no doubt as to that."

She drew a deep breath and leaned toward me, gazing straight into my face.

"I believe in you," she said finally. "And I trust you. You look like a real man. You tell me you serve in the army—an officer?"

"A lieutenant of infantry."

She held out her hand and my own closed over it, the firm, quiet clasp of her fingers sending a shock to thrill through my whole body. An instant she looked directly into my eyes, down into the very soul of me, and what I read in the depths of her brown eyes I could never find expression in words. I have thought of it often since, that great, dimly lighted room, with the guard at the door, the inert, almost lifeless body huddled on the floor beside us, and Rene Beaucaire's slender hand clasped in mine.

"Lieutenant Knox," she said softly, yet with a note of confidence in her low voice, "I am going to ask you absolutely; for me there is [illegible] so decide which I cannot do, [illegible] this time. I have not known you long enough to venture that far. You must accept me just as I am, a Parisian, slave and a negress, but also a woman.

"Can You Pledge Such as I Your Word of Honor—for, Weal or Woe, a Soldier and a Gentleman?"

Can you pledge such as I your word of honor—the word of a soldier and a gentleman?"

"I pledge it to you, Rene Beaucaire," I answered soberly.

"And I accept the pledge in good faith. From now on whatever you say I will do."

I had but one immediate purpose in my mind—to escape from the house as quickly as possible, to attain Pete's cart at the edge of the woods, and be several miles up the river, hidden away in some covert before daylight, leaving no trail behind. It would prove decidedly to our advantage if I was not seen or recognized. The very mystery, the bewilderment as to who had so viciously attacked the rambler and then spirited away the girl, would serve to facilitate our escape.

I stooped and removed a pistol from Kirby's pocket, dropping it, together with such ammunition as I could find, into one of my own. The man by this time was breathing heavily, although his eyes remained closed, and he still lay exactly as he had fallen.

"Keep your own weapon," I commanded her. "Hide it away in your dress. Now come with me."

She obeyed, uttering no word of objection, and stepping after me through the open window onto the narrow balcony without. I reached up and drew down the shade [illegible] the [illegible] darkness. The next [illegible] and our [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] cold, [illegible] to [illegible] my hesitancy.

"[illegible]"

"[illegible] Look, I [illegible] no [illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible] opened [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Rev. W. C. Heuer and family of St. Johns Lutheran church, is now nicely settled with his wife and two boys in the parsonage. He has charge of this and Alexander churches and is making a very favorable impression on his people and the community in general.

Miss Gladys Reiser who is employed in a music store in Estherville, Iowa, spent Christmas with her parents in Belmond, and remained until Sunday when returning to her work.

Will Wolfe who came down from Morningside College in Sioux City, for the Christmas vacation, returned to school the first of the week.

J. C. Barry of Fort Dodge, Iowa, was in Belmond the first of the week attending to business matters.

The Masonic Lodge and their sister lodge the Eastern Star, have recently had erected in front of their lodge room over the Schultz Drug Store, two electric lights in emblematic globes.

Miss Drummond left a week ago for Minneapolis to spend the Christmas season with friends.

E. M. Lubbers has just had installed some very fine fixtures in his pool hall for using in the sale of soft drinks to his customers. He put in a fine mahogany top bar and a fine single mirror back bar.

Theo. Wright made a trip to Austin, Minnesota, the first of the week.

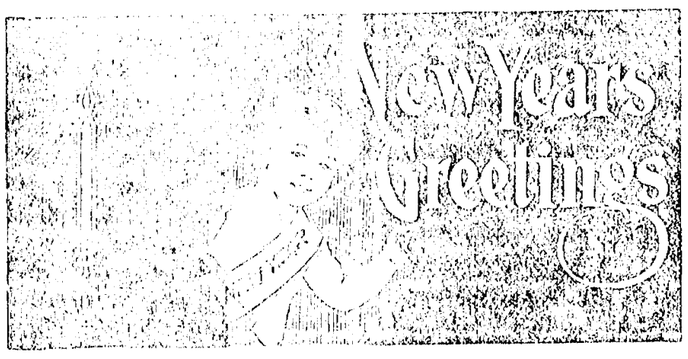
While the past week of the holiday season has been one replete with family dinners and suppers and gatherings The Herald-Press hears of only a few of them and those mostly where visitors from abroad are entertained. If during the past week or this week there has been any social gathering, family affair or otherwise, in your home, you will be very cordially thanked if you will take the trouble to call Phone 18 and advise us of the occasion.

The members of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church enjoyed a social time Monday afternoon, after the regular business meeting, at the home of Miss Helen Harris. An exchange of Christmas gifts was made by use of a Christmas tree, after which the ladies surprised their efficient president, Mrs. F. E. Snyder, by presenting her with a beautiful dish as a token of their appreciation. A luncheon was served to close the festivities.

You can save money on your fire insurance with the Iowa Implement Co. Purdy & Kenefick.

Mrs. R. N. Ryan of Jackson, Nebraska, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Blake of Ackley, with their three children, came the first of the week to be present at the 25th anniversary festivities of their brother Rev. Father Barry.

Philip McBurney left last Saturday evening for Cedar Rapids to resume his college work. The Christmas vacation at Coe College was cut short because of the vacation during December enforced by the fuel shortage.



WE WISH YOU A MOST HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Your Good Will and Fine Spirit of Co-operation has resulted in an enlarged ability and willingness for service on the part of this store. Here is to the health of each friend and patron of our store; may our relations grow closer, our place in your grocery puchasing become larger, is the wish that accompanies this New Year's Greeting

C. S. ROBINSON
BAKERY AND GROCERY
BELMOND, IOWA

Men and Money

THE man with money in the bank keeps it in the bank. That is the reason he has money.

The future holds many opportunities for the man with money. Prepare for these opportunities by using the bank to help you save money.

Start the New Year in the right way by opening an account with this bank.

5 per cent interest paid on yearly deposits

State Bank of Belmond

FOR SALE—80-acre farm 3½ miles west of Belmond. Frank Davenport.

Uncle Fred Luick's condition has been very serious during the past week. He has pneumonia, but not in virulent form, the most dangerous have of his illness being heart trouble. He has had one or two bad sinking spells but on the whole at this writing, Monday evening, seems to be stronger. A large part of the community are deeply exercised by his illness. He is past 80 years old and has a host of relatives and friends who are anxious for his return to health.

Later—Just as The Herald-Press goes to press it is learned that Mr. Luick's condition is worse and that he is failing quite rapidly. It is feared now that he cannot live long.

The Dyer Company started a crew of two or three dozen men to work again the past week at the sugar factory, he present weather permitting of much work being done.

Major Agg of Ames, Iowa, was in Belmond Monday to be present at the hearings on the paving assessments.

Mrs. L. R. Parsons and little daughter went to Klemme yesterday to visit friends.

Richard Peterson, S. Farber and N. A. Nelson have recently purchased Edison Diamond Disc Phonographs from the Schultz Drug Company.

I am offering for sale my Scotch herd bull White Clipper 2nd. He is a low down blocky fellow weighing about 1800. I also have a few young roan bulls for sale. Lewis Hauge.

Ross Aggers of Fort Dodge, Iowa, visited with Belmond friends between trains Monday.

Any soldier boy who saw Elsie Janis when she entertained them "over there" will want to see her in "A Regular Girl" at the Lyric Theatre, Friday evening, January 2nd.

Mis Florence Trumbell of Goodell, Iowa, spent Christmas at the C. R. Trumbell home.

Rhode Island Red cockerels for sale. H. L. Bamford. 31

Chas. Olson of Goodell, was a Belmond visitor yesterday.

Mr. Freutel the lecturer who was to lecture in the School Auditorium, January 3rd, has been compelled to postpone this lecture to January 17th.

Mrs. Jordan, of Austin, Minnesota, visited at the home of her brother, Rev. Edge, the latter par of last week.

Miss Wilma Trumbell went to Ka-Kanawha last Saturday to spend Sunday with her sister Fern Trumbell and Nettie Benson who are teaching near Kanawha. She returned to Belmond Monday.

Good government land for sale at $5 per acre. A dredge ditch on every section. Purdy & Kenefick.

For Sale—Duchess Piano. Mrs. John Lalor. Phone 3718. 32

John Dominy of Goodell, was transacting business in Belmond last Saturday.

FOR SALE—Geese and ducks. Mrs. Burt Jenison.

Last week a deal was consummated whereby Wm. Guest became the purchaser of the buildings on the lot next west of the Trinity Church and A. S. Lund became the owner of the lot. T. O. Tomson was the former owner. Mr. Guest will move the house to the lots on north Race street which he recently purchased from D. L. Cuppett.

Charley Papousek now has his new building ready for plastering and expects to be able to move in within a month or six weeks. He is planning to finish the second story into two four room flats.

Modern 7-room house for sale cheap. Purdy & Kenefick.

Harry Webb entertained his Sunday School class of boys at his home in east Belmond last week Friday evening. The boys spent an enjoyable evening with games etc. Oysters were served.

Major Agg who was in direct charge of Belmond's paving for the engineering firm came Monday to be present at the hearing held Monday evening.

Carl Snyder came from Huron, So. Dak., to visit his parents over Christmas and to attend the family dinner at the Snyder home where the Geo. Polhemus family and the Bailey families were present Christmas day.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

New Year's day, Norwegean services will be conducted in the local church. New Year's Day evening, the Lutheran Brotherhood will hold its meeting in the basement of the church.

Sunday School at 10 A. M. every Sunday. Our attendance was very good last Sunday. We hope to continue their good work. A hearty co-operation on the part of parents, pupils, teachers and pastor will give the desired results.

Tuesday evening, Jan. 6 the Dorcas wil hold its meeting at the home of Halvor Rierson. We look for a good attendance. This will be the case if all members come.

Thursday Jan. 8 the Ladies' Aid of the church wil hold its meeting in the basement of the church.

No service will be conducted in the morning nor evening next Sunday. Sunday, Jan. 11, English services will be conducted morning and evening.

The program given by the little folks Christmas Eve was well rendered. We had a good attendance and all were happy. The pastor and family were especially remembered by friends and members of the church for which we express a word of heartfelt appreciation. May the donors have a most happy and blessed New Year.

ST. OLAF CHURCH

New Year's day afternoon at 2:00 p. m., a devotional service will be conducted at the home of Mr. Johnson, living in the house just west of the church. Saturday, January 3rd, the regular annual business meeting of the church will be held. The meeting begins promptly at 11:00 a. m. All members are urgently requested to be present.

The service next Sunday will be conducted in the Norwegian language at 11:00 a. m. Second day Christmas we had a splendid congregation. The weather was most beautiful and the weather was most beautiful and the sleighing fair, so all enjoyed getting to church to hear the message of "peace and good will." We welcome as large a congregation next Sunday. Come!

Wednesday, January 7, the North Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Johnson. We welcome visitors.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Next Sunday is the first Sunday of the new year. Why not start out the new year right and attend church? Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. and a class for everyone. One of the New Year's resolutions made by the Sunday School last Sunday was that during the year 1920 they would not let the attendance ever drop below the 100 mark. They are counting on you to help them make good the resolution. Preaching services at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. At the service on Sunday morning the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed. Every member of the church ought to be present for this service. The Epworth League devotional meeting at 6:30.

Sunday, January 4th, is the day designated by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society as "Minute Woman's Day," when a special effort is to be made to add new members to their organization throughout the United States. Our church will observe this day and Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen will act as "Minute Woman," and will speak for a few minutes in the interest of that society.

A card from C. A. Church at San Diego, California, says that the crowded condition of hotels and apartments in southern California is all that reports have stated and prices being paid are double what they were last winter. Mr. and Mrs. Church will live at 532 West Grape street, San Diego, during this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hansen were Fort Dodge visitors last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stebleton and daughter Cleone spent Christmas Day with Belmond relatives, Mrs. J. B. Robbins and the Wallace Ramsay family.

M. C. Barry made a business trip to Cedar Rapids last week Friday.

Verner Reed came home last week from Akron, Ohio, where he has been employed by the government as chief engineer of a big electrical plant. With his brother Reuben he expects to go this week to Wisconsin to visit Howard Reed, their brother.

W. D. Balow, a horse buyer from Waterloo, Iowa, was in Belmond the first part of last week and C. R. Jordon another horse buyer was looking up horses the first of this week.

George Wood and family now expect to leave about the middle of next week for Kirksville, Missouri, where they hereafter make their home. Mr. Wood and Roy both have fine positions in a big shoe factory there.

BRINGING IOWA PEOPLE TOGETHER

December 29, Davenport (Special):—The second meeting of the Member's Council of the Greater Iowa Association will be held at Des Moines on January 5, 1920, at which time the special committee, appointed at the meeting on December 15, 1919, will make its report, and the full Council will determine upon its course of action, in endeavoring systemically to relieve the cause of unrest, in so far as the Council can,—in Iowa. At the first meeting of the Council each of the fifteen classifications of business was represented by delegates,—the delegation from the Iowa Federation of Labor being headed by its president, F. A. Canfield, of Cedar Rapids, and the United Mine Workers by its president, John C. Lewis, of Des Monies. The subcommittee of five is headed by a farmer, W. J. Tobias, of Anita. The other members are: F. W. Sargent, an attorney of Des Moines, representing Public Utilities corporations; F. L. Eaton, a manufacturer, of Sioux City; W. T. Harper, a wholesaler of Ottumwa; and F. A. Canfield, president of the Iowa Federation of Labor.

Ted Zook and Earl Dalrymple have rented the building formerly used by the Shaffer store and are making changes and fitting it up preparatory to opening a modern up to date restaurant.

Bert Champlin of Bradford, Iowa, was a Belmond visitor part of last week.

Chas. Dalrymple of Ellworth, Iowa, was visiting with Belmond relatives.

Earl C. Howells, representing the Pill Furniture Co. ofFort Dodge, was in Belmond a week ago closing the sale of some special drapes for the Iowa Valley Sugar Company's office building.

E. F. Bailey made a business trip to Clarion the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nissen spent a part of last week visiting with relatives at Lu Verne, Iowa.

Lost—Bunch of 4 keys on ring. Finder leave at this office.

Theodore Johnson and family of Latimer, Iowa, including Misses Ruth and Alma who are attending school at St Olaf college, and Albert Johnson and family of Huxley, Iowa, spent Christmas with Belmond relatives. They with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Johnson, B. J. Johnson and family and Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Johnson were entertained at Christmas at the H. C. Enge home.

H. V. Beckwith whose home is in Seattle, Washington, but who is now in the submarine service of the United States Navy is visiting with Belmond relatives. He is a grandson of Mrs. J. B. Robbins.

Walter Peterson of Hampton, Iowa, has been visiting with Belmond relatives during the holiday school vacation.

Robert Maitland of Klemme, Iowa, last week purchased the building on Spruce street formerly owned and used by Wm. Kane as a jewelry shop and will move to the hill west of town making it into a dwelling.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Chamberlin spent Christmas with relatives in southwestern Iowa. Mr. Chamberlin returned Monday while Mrs. Chamberlin remained for a longer visit.

Miss Laura Maitland spent Sunday with her grandparents at Iowa Falls.

Attorney Jas. Hennebery of Eagle Grove, Iowa, was in Belmond on legal business.

Attorney G. R. Hill of Clarion was a Belmond visitor Monday on matters connected with the paving hearing.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Edge enjoyed a visit over the week end from two of Mr. Edge's sisters, Miss Beth Edge of Humbolt, Iowa, and Miss Myrtle Edge of Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Caskill of Corwith, Iowa, and their children, William, Marjorie and George, spent Christmas at the Gowdy home in Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brady and children spent Christmas with Hampton relatives.

FOR SALE

20 pure bred Duroc Jersey Boars, sired by Hauge's Giant and High Model Defender. These young boars are of exceptional quality, extra heavy bone, lots of length and will weigh from 200 to 250 pounds. They are priced reasonable and I invite critical buyers to come and see them. Phone 9703. Lewis Hauge.

LYRIC : THEATRE

GEO. HAKE, Manager

THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

THE BRAT

A big Metro picture featuring NAZIMOVA. In her study of the strange little street waif, Nazimova runs the entire range of her emotions. Never has she had a role calling for so amazing a display of her powers of mimicry, facial expression and pantomime.

Matinee at 2:30; 1st Evening Show at 7:00

Prices 25c and 35c plus war tax

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

THE GRAY HORIZON

SESSUE HAYAKAWA in

A powerful drama of Oriental vengeance. The story of a Japanese artist whoa venged the betrayal of his sister and took the consequences to save a woman from sorrow.

Prices 10c and 20c, plus war tax

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2

A REGULAR GIRL

ELSIE JANIS, beloved of the doughboys of all countries by reason of her wonderful work in cheering 'em up "over there" is making her debut on the screen as a *regular girl*, and take it from us she is all of that.

Prices 16c and 28c

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3

THE WHITE HEATHER

We have had so many requests for a return date on this Paramount-Artcraft special that we are playing it over. Those of you who saw it will remember it by the diving scene from the submarine. By special arrangement the underseas scenes were produced by the use of the Williamson Submarine Tube and patented inventions, the only means by which such underseas scenes are made possible.

Prices 10c and 20c, plus war tax

MONDAY, JANUARY 5—

HIGH TIDE

A 5-reel Triangle picture featuring HARRY MESTAYER.

ALSO A 1-REEL COMEDY

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6

AS THE SUN WENT DOWN

5-reel Metro featuring EDITH STORY as the "Gun Woman" of the West of '49.

ALSO A 1-REEL COMEDY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7

The Thunderbolt

KATHERINE MacDONALD in How the love of Ruth Pomeroy and Spencer Vail was denied them in order that Bruce Corin might vent his spleen against the Pomeroy family is the unusual incident around which most of the story starring Miss MacDonald is based.

Prices 15c and 25c plus war tax

POTATO CROP PAYS HIM WELL

"The bad years are the ones when the best growers make the best money out of potatoes," says C. L. Fitch, extension vegetable man at Iowa State College.

He cited the case of F. J. Sedlacek, the young vegetable grower of St. Ansgar, who in 1919 produced 16,500 bushels of Rurals on one eighty acre tract and who sold them early in the season for more than $25,000. Mr. Sedlacek is so modest that he has not stated his net profits, but Mr. Fitch gives as his opinion that Mr. Sedlacek's other crops must have paid the expenses of his farm, and that the $25,000.00 is clear cash this year.

The secret of his success is held to be a combination of good livestock farming with the growing of onions and potatoes. The methods of cultivation and the quality of seed used by Mr. Sedlacek are the best. He has produced as much as 200 acres of potatoes in a single season, and has made potatoes the foundation of his success. His farm is one of the best equipped in Iowa. Mitchell county has thousands of acres of the same sort of, land, adapted to potatoes onions and cabbage.